Author’s response to reviews

Title: Does left ventricular hypertrophy affect cognition and brain structural integrity in type 2 diabetes? Study design and rationale of the Diabetes and Dementia (D2) study

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Dear Editor

Re: BEND-D-17-00060

We have revised our protocol paper titled ‘Does left ventricular hypertrophy affect cognition and brain structural integrity in type 2 diabetes? Study design and rationale of the Diabetes and Dementia (D2) study’

The following changes have been made following the Editor’s comments.

1. Your funding and ethics documentation is currently included with this manuscript as additional files. Please ensure that these documents are removed from your submission (this is for reasons of confidentiality).

Response: we have removed the mentioned documents.

2. Please revise your manuscript to include all the following sections under the heading ‘Declarations’:

Response: we have restructured the ‘declaration’ section (line 413, page 16 to line 449 page 18) in the recommended headings as follows.

- Ethics approval and consent to participate (line 414, page 16)
- Consent for publication (line 420, page 17)
- Availability of data and material (line 423, page 17)
- Competing interests (line 426, page 17)
- Funding (line 429, page 17)
- Authors' contributions (line 433, pages 17-18)
- Acknowledgements (line 447, page 18)
- Authors' information (optional) – we have not provided this information

We look forward to hearing from you.
Yours sincerely

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