Author’s response to reviews

Title: IL-10/STAT3 is reduced in childhood obesity with hypertriglyceridemia and is related to triglyceride level in diet-induced obese rats

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Dear Editors and Reviewers,

Thank you for your letter on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 and for the reviewers’ comments concerning our manuscript (ID: BEND-D-17-00289R2). Those comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper, as well as the important guiding significance to our researches. We have studied comments carefully and have tried our best to revise the manuscript. The point to point responds to the Editor and Reviewer’s comments are listed as following:

Answers to Editor:

Dear Dr. Benny Yau:

We deeply appreciate and agree the Reviewer’s suggestion. We have made the revisions following your comments:

1. We have made the 'Declarations' following the Conclusions section and before the References section.
We have re-written the revised manuscript as a single, final, clean version that does not contain any tracked changes, comments, highlights, strikethroughs or text in different colours.

Special thanks to you for your warm help.

Answers to Reviewers:

Dear Dr. Alan Remaley (Reviewer #1):

Thank you again for your good comments and valuable suggestion.

Dear Dr. Michaela Siklova (Reviewer #2):

We have studied comments carefully and deeply appreciate your suggestions. The point to point responds to your comments are listed as following:

Main points:

Comment 1:

The manuscript was successfully improved, all my main comments were satisfactory answered.

As to the statistics - it is not my point to explain to the authors how to do two-way ANOVA. Generally you have to use statistical program such as GraphPad of SPSS. If you are not sure with your statistic skills please ask some specialist. Anyway, I do not expect that it will change the message of the study, I just claimed that, because it would be more appropriate.

I would suggest additional grammar and language control.

Answer: Thank for this valuable suggestion. We have used two-way ANOVA by SPSS to compare the serum lipids at the different feed time points in the two rats groups. And we also have made statement as “Differences between the serum lipids at the different feed periods were assessed using a two-way ANOVA” in Methods Statistical analysis section. The results were shown in Table 2.

Thank you again for your good comments and valuable suggestion.
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