Author’s response to reviews

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Dear Editor,

Thank you for comments and suggestions.

Here are the answers:

1. The text overlap was mostly related to description of molecular methods. We used the online software (https://copyleaks.com/compare) to find the overlap with the indicated papers. The portions of text were thereafter re-phrased.

2. The indicated headings were renamed.

3. The role of funding bodies was clarified in “Funding” section.

4. The initials of authors are presented in the “Authors’ Contribution” section.

5. The References were integrated into the main document. The Figure legends and Additional files list were located to after the References.

6. Additional files list is up to date.

7. The Tables were integrated into the main document, after the References and Figure legends.

8. Figures were rearranged as a PowerPoint file. The Figures 1A and 1B were merged.

The manuscript was uploaded as a single, final, clean version. Figures, Supplementary Tables and Declarations were uploaded as separate files.

Sincerely,

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