Author’s response to reviews

Title: Protective effect of Shenmai injection on doxorubicin-induced cardiotoxicity via regulation of inflammatory mediators

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Dear Editors and Reviewers,

Thank you for your letter and for the reviewers’ comments and potential accepting our manuscript entitled “Protective effect of Shenmai injection on doxorubicin-induced cardiotoxicity via regulation of inflammatory mediators” (BCAM-D-18-01258R1). We had studied the comments carefully and made correction which we hope meet with approval. Pointe-by-point responses to the editor are listed below this letter.

We hope the revised manuscript is now conformed to publication in your journal.

Best regards,
Yours sincerely,
Yanfei Xin.

Responds to the editor’ comments

1. Comments (C):
   Please clarify your euthanasia/sacrifice methods, including whether animals were anaesthetised and/or unconscious, injection dosages if applicable, methods used and rationale etc.

   Reply (R):
   Thank you for your suggestion. We have briefly described the euthanasia/sacrifice methods of experimental animals in the method section (page 5, line 8). Now we re-describe this process in detail. Every animal operation were conducted in laboratories that passed the authentication of the Association
for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care which was mentioned in method section (page 4, line 20, animal section)

2.Comments (C):
We note that the current submission contains some textual overlap with other previously published works, in particular:
This overlap exists throughout your manuscript.
While we understand that you may wish to express some of the same ideas contained in these publications, please be aware that we cannot condone the use of text from previously published work. Please be informed that we cannot proceed with handling your manuscript before this issue is resolved, and the sections of text in question have been reformulated.
Reply (R):
Thank you for your suggestion for some textual overlap in the article. We used a similar language and similar ideas in the article. So that it led to textual overlap. Now we have reworked several statements that may have duplicates in Introduction section (page 3, line 2), Introduction section (page 3, line 11), Method section (page 6, line 9) and Method section (page 6, line 16).

3.Comments (C):
In order to be in line with journal requirements, please include the following headings within your manuscript: Background, Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusions
Reply (R):
Thank you for your suggestion. We are sure about the headings within our manuscript: Background, Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusion were included.

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Please put your responses to the reviewers'/editors’ comments in the Response to Reviewers box in Editorial Manager. Please do not upload a separate letter. At this stage, please upload your manuscript as a single, final, clean version that does not contain any tracked changes, comments, highlights, strikethroughs or text in different colours. All relevant tables/figures/additional files should also be clean versions. Additional files should remain uploaded as separate files. Please ensure that all figures, tables and additional/supplementary files are cited within the text.Reply (R):
Thank you. We complied with.