Reviewer’s report

Title: Mitochondrial DNA 7908-8816 region mutations in maternally inherited essential hypertensive subjects in China

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Reviewer: Jennifer Smith

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The authors have adequately addressed the majority of my comments. However, it is still not clear to me why this particular region of the MT genome is of interest. In the response, the authors indicate that this region is a "cardiovascular hotspot". My suggestion is that the authors introduce this region in the introduction section of the manuscript and clearly state (with citations) why this region is important. Then in the discussion section, please give details about the exact findings in this MT region from the literature - that is, give specifics on why this region could be considered a "cardiovascular hotspot".

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