Author’s response to reviews

Title: Cardiac Hypertrophy Is Stimulated by Altered Training Intensity and Correlates With Autophagy Modulation In Male Wistar Rats

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Dear Prof. Giuseppe Musumeci, PhD,

Mr. Brock Madsen,

Chief Editor and Editorial Office of BMC Sports Science, Medicine, and Rehabilitation

We are greatful for all of your constructive comments to our manuscript entitled ‘CARDIAC HYPERTROPHY IS STIMULATED BY ALTERED TRAINING INTENSITY AND CORRELATES WITH AUTOPHAGY MODULATION’. We are really thankfull for all the details evaluation and assessment. We agree and had corrected sentences according your suggestions, it willnot overlap with sentences used in other journal. Finally, we hope our manuscript could meet the standard and criteria of your journal. Hereby, we send files regarding our response to reviewer’s/editorial’s comments point to point, and we also send the clean version of our manuscript.
For Editor comments

Thank you for all of your supportive and insightful comments.

1. While assessing your manuscript we found several instances where the text displayed overlap with other previously published works, in particular:

a. http://dx.doi.org/10.1136/heartjnl-2011-300639

Overlap with this previously published work was found mainly in lines 14 – 17 of page 3.

Response : Thank you for your constructive comment. We have reformulated our sentences to resolve the overlap with other previously published works. The reformulated sentences can be found in Background section, lines 12 – 17 of page 3, along with the appropriate references.

b. https://doi.org/10.1161/CIRCULATIONAHA.110.938282

Overlap with this previously published work was found mainly in lines 11 – 13 of page 11.

Response : Thank you again for your comment. We have reformulated our sentences to resolve the overlap with other previously published works. The reformulated sentences can be found in Discussion section, lines 6 - 8 of page 11, along with the appropriate reference.


Overlap with this previously published work was found mainly in, lines 22 – 24 of page 12.

Response : Thank you again for your constructive comment. We have reformulated our sentences to resolve the overlap with our previously published works. The reformulated sentences can be found in Discussion section, lines 19 - 21 of page 12, along with the appropriate references.

d. If this study uses methodology from a previously published work, please provide a summarizing statement in the methodology together with a citation to the original paper.

Response : Thank you again for your comment. We have provided summarizing statements in Methods section, treadmill training protocol, lines 11 – 12 pages 6, along with the citation of our previously published work.

2. In the Methods section please further clarify the volume and concentration used to overdose the animals on Isoflurane, as well as the injection method.
Response : Thank you for your suggestion. We have clarified the inhaled isoflurane concentration in methods section, treadmill training protocol, lines 14-16, page 6, along with the appropriate reference.

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Response : Thank you for your comment. Author RW is very qualified as an author, because actually she has more contributions in our manuscript, according to the qualification of the
guidelines. Therefore, we have provided clarification about RW’s actual contribution to our manuscript.

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Response: Thank you for your guidelines. We have provided clean version of our manuscript and uploaded according to your guidance.

We are very grateful for the chance to revise our manuscript, so we can improve our manuscript and hopefully we will be able to publish our work in BMC Sports Science, Medicine and Rehabilitation. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

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