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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in word formant (file name: 13114-edited.doc).

**Title:** Perception of difficulty and glucose control: effects on academic performance in youth with Type I Diabetes

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

Reviewer 58381

1. Requested a shorter/more precise abstract. The current abstract meets the requirements for the number of words in each section for an original article. (i.e. Methods is 141 words)
  - a. Comment: The abstract is made according to journal instructions, which state: An informative, structured abstract should accompany each manuscript. Abstracts of original contributions should be structured into the following sections: AIM (no more than 20 words; Only the purpose of the study should be included. Please write the Aim in the form of "To investigate/study/"), METHODS (no less than 140 words for Original Articles; and no less than 80 words for Brief Articles), RESULTS (no less than 150 words for Original Articles and no less than 120 words for Brief Articles; You should present P values where appropriate and must provide relevant data to illustrate how they were obtained, e.g.,  $6.92 \pm 3.86$  vs  $3.61 \pm 1.67$ ,  $P < 0.001$ ), and CONCLUSION (no more than 26 words). How can we notify these reviewers of the instructions?
2. Requested last paragraph of introduction be moved to next section. However this is best in the introduction section then in the methods section.
3. Requested a more detailed description of the protocol. Addition of: Adolescents were approached to participate in the study during their regularly scheduled doctor's appointment. The study measures were carried out in a quiet, separate room for each participant individually. Pre-doctoral psychology students administered the assessments.
4. Requested clarification of exclusion criteria. Addition of: **Adolescents were excluded** from participation if they had co-morbid clinical health conditions, such as asthma, anemia, vascular disease, kidney disease, chronic tiredness, depression, psychiatric history, or obesity.

5. Requested citation change. Citation changed to a superscript.
6. Requested Patients/Methods heading. Changed to Methods
7. Requested mean age 12.5 years old read as 12.5 years. Change made.
8. Requested capitalization of Learning in Incidental Learning. Change made.
9. Requested separation between depression and peripheral in Table 5. Semicolon added.

Reviewer 2446731

1. Requested statistical method be detailed. Addition of: Zero order correlation tables were examined to assess the degree of relationship between the variables. P-values of less than 0.05 were considered statistically significant. Multiple regression analyses were used to assess outcome variables.

Reviewer 58198

1. Requested a reduced introduction. The introduction is currently two and a half double spaced pages and this is needed to explain the constructs being investigated.
2. Stated participant statement was not very convenient. Addition of: This study was designed as a cross-sectional, prospective study.
3. Requested statistical methods used. Addition of Zero order correlation tables were examined to assess the degree of relationship between the variables. P-values of less than 0.05 were considered statistically significant. Multiple regression analyses were used to assess outcome variables.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the World Journal of Diabetes.

Sincerely yours,



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