

# RESPONSE LETTER

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**Reviewer's Comments (Reviewer nº 03647909):** Very interesting paper in an unexplored area - CEUS in hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia. Well written. Nonetheless, the small number of patients and the retrospective data analysis limit the conclusions.

**Author's Response:** Thank you for the positive appraisal of our submitted manuscript No. 29149. We are fully aware of the limitations of retrospective studies and the small number of patients included.

Nevertheless, our results regarding contrast- enhanced ultrasound microcirculation analysis are even in this small group of 18 patients highly significant and should be the stimulus for further prospective studies.

**Author's Response to Editor's Suggestions:**

1. We included „Data sharing statement“ and „Biostatistics statement“ in the title page as requested.
2. We included the „COMMENTS section“ appropriate to the „Format for Manuscript Revision-Retrospective Study“ in the main text.
3. We provided all the files related to academic rules and norms together with the revised manuscript.
4. We added PubMed citation numbers and DOI citation to the reference list and we listed all authors.
5. We added Christina Hart as co-author because of her great commitment in the revision phase and her helpful tips in the manuscript writing phase being a well-recognised expert in the field of haemostaseology.