

POINT TO POINT ANSWER TO PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Reviewer 1

This is a very interesting Review about an important issue. However, one substantial thing is missing. You have described in the method section the search strategy in 2 databases. This is fine, but not enough. I recommend you to add the PRISMA flow chart which must be used and followed when performing a systematic review. Further, some sort of quality assessment of the elected papers must be performed. How many of the authors performed the search and went through the articles. Please improve the method section so it fully follows the PRISMA recommendations. Minor Changes 1. On page 6, physiology is described. Interstitial cells of Cajal is mentioned and fibroblast-like cells. During the last years, a lot of knowledge about telocytes has been described. Please enter a section about telocytes and the effects of them. Not only use the term ICC when so much is now well-known about telocytes.

Authors's answer

We thank the reviewer for his comments.

Firstly our study is not a systematic review but a simple review article. We agree that the PRISMA recommendations are an useful method when performing a systematic review, but we think that this instrument is not necessary in our review.

About telocytes, a specific sentence and a related reference have been added in the pathophysiology section and in the references section respectively (highlighted in yellow).