

Dear Editors and Reviewers:

Thank you for your letter and for the reviewers' comments concerning our manuscript entitled "Retrospective study of whole-body vibration training on balance and walking function in stroke patients." (ID: 66764). Those comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper, as well as the important guiding significance to our researches. We have studied comments carefully and have made correction which we hope meet with approval. Revised portion are marked in red in the paper. The main corrections in the paper and the responds to the reviewer's comments are as flowing:

Responds to the reviewer's comments:

Reviewer #1:

1. Response to comment: Title Perhaps the title should be rephrased as "Retrospective study of effect of whole-body vibration training on balance and walking function in stroke patients."

Response: This is an excellent advice, we have changed the title to "Retrospective study of effect of whole-body vibration training on balance and walking function in stroke patients." .

2. Response to comment: Methods Please start this section with an information which type of study that you have performed, when and where.

Response: Thanks for the reviewer's suggestion, we added the type of this study that we have performed, when and where. Showing as "The study is a retrospective study, which a total of 159 participants with stroke were in hospital for treatment in the Rehabilitation Department of Chongqing Traditional Chinese Medicine Hospital from January 2019 to August 2020." .

3. Response to comment: Do not start the sentence with number (e.g., 5, please write five instead of digit number).

Response: We agree that, start a sentence with a number is not appropriate, and it have been corrected.

4. Response to comment: When the term is mentioned in the text for the first time please write it in the full, not just an abbreviation (e.g., MMSE).

Response: Thank you very much for reminding me, we have revised this incorrect expression. The full name for MMSE is Mini-mental State Examination.

5. Response to comment: Figure 1 Please make Figure 1 according to CONSORT flow diagram.

Response: Considering the Reviewer's suggestion, we have redrawn the flowchart according to CONSORT flow diagram (Figure.1).

Special thanks to you for your good comments.

Reviewer #2:

Response to comment: Just check a few words in the English translation (patients and x +s).

Response: We are very sorry for our incorrect writing, and thank you for reminding me, so all of them have been revised.

Responds to Science editor:

1. Response to comment: The Institutional Review Board Approval Form was not provided.

Response: The Institutional Review Board Approval Form will be uploaded as attachments.

2. Response to comment: The “Author Contributions” section is missing. Please provide the author contributions.

Response: The “Author Contributions” section has been added in the manuscript.

3. Response to comment: Please upload the approved grant application form(s) or funding agency copy of any approval document(s).

Response: The approved grant application form will be uploaded as attachments.

4. Response to comment: Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor.

Response: All figures were recreated in PowerPoint form.

5. Response to comment: PMID and DOI numbers are missing in the reference list. Please provide the PubMed numbers and DOI citation numbers to the reference list and list all authors of the references. Please revise throughout.

Response: PMID, DOI numbers and all authors of the references have been added in the manuscript, and we have replaced some old references with relatively recent references.

6. Response to comment: The “Article Highlights” section is missing. Please add the “Article Highlights” section at the end of the main text.

Response: Considering the Science editor’s suggestion, we have added the “Article Highlights” section at the end of the main text.

Responds to Company editor-in-chief:

Response to comment: Before its final acceptance, please upload the primary version (PDF) of the Institutional Review Board’s official approval in official language of the authors’ country to the system.

Response: We would like to express our great appreciation to you for comments on our paper, and we will upload the primary version (PDF) of the Institutional Review Board’s official approval. Meanwhile, we revised the manuscript again according to the standard format from <https://www.wjgnet.com/bpg/GerInfo/291>.

Thank you and best regards.

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