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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 8455-review.doc).

Title: *INFLAMMATION, LIPID METABOLISM AND CARDIOVASCULAR RISK IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS: A QUALITATIVE RELATIONSHIP?*

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

1 Format has been updated.

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer.

First, the authors appreciate the comments of the reviewers who have unquestionably help us to improve the manuscript.

(1) Following the reviewer's suggestion, citations have been updated as far as possible (however, the authors would like to maintain some older references that we believe may serve as an introduction to topic).

(2) Regarding the suggestion with respect to pharmacologic therapy, atheromatosis and qualitative lipid changes the relevant literature to data is scant. Even so, we have tried to improve the manuscript by incorporating some relevant comments.

(3) The first question regarding the effect of therapies against lipid abnormalities and antirheumatologic agents has already been answered (see reply to reviewer 2). Regarding the suggestion to add a summary table, the authors acknowledge that their initial approach to the manuscript had been contemplated this possibility. However, given the limited literature, we thought it would be easier to understand with illustrations. If this is not a major drawback, the authors would prefer to keep only the illustrations, and not overload the manuscript.

3 References and typesetting were corrected.

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

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