

## Response to Reviewer

We do appreciate our Reviewer's efforts to improve our manuscript with his/her constructive comments. We have revised the manuscript according to the recommendations as detailed below. All changes are indicated with red color in the revised manuscript for easy inspection.

**Reviewer #1:** Consider adding correlations with ratio between frontal cortex volume versus rest of the brain.

Authors' reply: We have accepted our reviewer's recommendation and inserted information regarding the correlation between frontal cortex volume and aggressive behavior into the following parts of the manuscript:

*Dementia subchapter:* 'The main neuropathological finding related to progressive changes in behavior and aggression<sup>[15-17]</sup> is prefrontal cortical atrophy, which is also associated with dementia<sup>[18]</sup>. In frontotemporal dementia, anger and other confrontational/critical and emotionally charged ideas and behaviors underpin the development of interpersonal aggression and social isolation<sup>[19]</sup>. Further brain areas significantly associated aggression in dementia include the dorsomedial prefrontal and orbitofrontal cortices and the amygdala<sup>[20-22]</sup>.'

*Alcohol subchapter:* 'It is well-established that heavy alcohol consumption affects prefrontal cortex thereby contributing to the development of aggressive behavior<sup>[57-59]</sup>. Even a small amount of alcohol can reduce the activity of the medial prefrontal cortex<sup>[60]</sup> resulting in the impairment of prefrontal executive functions, which may lead to careless, inappropriate, or aggressive behavior<sup>[61,62]</sup>.'

*Bipolar Affective Disorder subchapter:* 'The association between prefrontal cortical dysfunction and aggressive behavior in bipolar patients has

been repeatedly confirmed<sup>[152-154]</sup>. Damage to the prefrontal cortex results in disruption of executive functions, leading to dysfunctional patterns of behavior in the social realms including emotional outbursts, increased risk-taking and aggression as well as disorganized behavior<sup>[61,155]</sup>. Executive dysfunction is common in bipolar disorder, schizophrenia and acute psychoses<sup>[156,157]</sup>, where impaired impulse control and dysregulated behavior manifest in aggression<sup>[158]</sup>.

We have also extended the list of references with relevant publications (15-22; 57-62; 152-158).