

## Answering Reviewers

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Marco Matteo Ciccone, MD  
Editor-in-Chief  
*World Journal of Cardiology*

Dear Dr. Ciccone,

We appreciate your comments on our manuscript.

We have made the following corrections to the points you raised.

From *Reviewer #1*

1. In writing up on tertiles of different groups, the last tertile should not be written  $0.21 < \text{PVPR}$  but as  $\text{PVPR} > 0.21$ . Please correct everywhere in the text and figures, to make it easier for readers to follow the article. (Eg: "PVPR-T1:  $0 \leq \text{PVPR} \leq 0.08$ , PVPR-T2:  $0.08 < \text{PVPR} \leq 0.21$ , PVPR-T3:  $\text{PVPR} > 0.21$ ")

→We have corrected the  $\text{PVPR} > 0.21$  for the relevant section.

2. Fig 1D should be put as a separate Table.

→ We have changed Figure1D to Table 2. We corrected the numbers of Figures/Tables that have been renumbered as figure 1D changed to Table 2.

3. In Fig 3, "PVPR-T3 had a worse prognosis than the lower PVPR tertiles (log-rank test:  $P < 0.05$ )" should be shown on the figure with \* and labelled \* $p < 0.05$

→We have applied an asterisk (\*) in the appropriate section ( $p < 0.05$  and PVPR-T3) in Figure 3

From *Company editor-in-chief*

1. The quality of the English language of the manuscript does not meet the requirements of the journal.

→We have submitted our manuscript to the editing company you recommended (Filipodia) and have done my best to ensure that the quality of the English language of our manuscript meet the requirements of the journal.

2. Please provide the original figure documents.

→ We made a figure file to meet the submission guidelines.

3. Authors are required to provide standard three-line tables, that is, only the top line, bottom line, and column line are displayed, while other table lines are hidden. The contents of each cell in the table should conform to the editing specifications, and the lines of each row or column of the table should be aligned. Do not use carriage returns or spaces to replace lines or vertical lines and do not segment cell content.

→ We made a tables to meet the submission guidelines.

We hope our revised manuscript will meet the publishing requirements of the *World Journal of Cardiology*.

Thank you for your help,

Sincerely Yours,

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