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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 1369-Revision.doc).

Title: Architecture and biogenesis of plus-strand RNA virus replication factories

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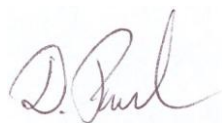
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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of the editor and reviewers:

- 1) The format has been updated according to the editor's instructions, including affiliation, author contributions, corresponding authors and in text reference numbers. DOI citation numbers have been included in the reference list.
- 2) As requested Table 1 is now provided as an Excel file and figures are decomposable in the PowerPoint format.
- 3) Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewers:
 - (1) The authors appreciate the valuable suggestion to make figure 1 more understandable (comment 1 and 3 reviewer 00503963 and comment 5 reviewer 00503951). In order to do so more labels have been included and the figure legend has been changed accordingly.
 - (2) A statement concerning the application of this knowledge for the development of antiviral strategies (comment 2 reviewer 00503963) is now included in the revised version of the manuscript.
 - (3) The paper by Liu et al. PLOSONe 2012 (comment 1 reviewer 00503951) has been included in the bibliography as reference number 155.
 - (4) Spelling mistakes (comments 2-4 reviewer 00503951) have been corrected.

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

Sincerely yours,



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