

## Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 20273-Review.doc).

**Title:** Ventricular repolarization measures for arrhythmic risk stratification

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**Name of Journal:** *World Journal of Cardiology*

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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

*Reviewer 00060494:*

1. *There are too many abbreviations in this paper. Please try to reduce them. (Ex: first generation antipsychotic, intravenous, percutaneous coronary intervention, DCM...etc). Besides, the proper noun will give the full term when it appears first time in the paper, and then it should present as its abbreviation. There are many faults and please correct them (ex. AP, LQTS, QTc....etc). Furthermore, there are confused abbreviations found in this paper (ex. variability ratio (VR) and ventricular repolarization (VR)...etc).*

We thank the reviewer for his/her helpful suggestions.

- We have reduced abbreviations removing the following ones:  
CAD; HCV; FGA; SGA; APA; DCM; NIDCM; IDCM.
- We have added abbreviation where missing after the first appearance of the full term in the text.
- We have removed the abbreviation VR for Variability Ratio and kept the abbreviation for the full term Ventricular Repolarization, which often appears in the text.

2. *The Fridericia's formula :  $QTc: QTxRR^{-1/3}$  [30], and Bazett's formula:  $QTc: QTxRR^{-1/2}$  should be annotation. For example: RR means the time interval; and the QT means the distance.*

We thank the reviewer for his/her helpful suggestion

We have corrected the manuscript as suggested by the reviewer at pag. 7 line 1-3.

3. *Less attention in Treatment of different kinds QT abnormalities*

We thank the reviewer for his/her comment.

- The topic is very extensive and it has been difficult to write a review which could summarize all the different aspects of the topic according to the structure of the paper that we decided. From these considerations, we are very sorry but it results difficult to further summarize and dedicate less space to some of the aspects discussed. We trust in your understanding and thank you.

*Reviewer 02575809:*

*Review about ID invited Manuscript NO: 00258135 Ventricular repolarization measures for arrhythmic risk stratification The authors made an updated review on the role of alterations in ventricular repolarization in arrhythmogenic events risk stratification. In my opinion is an interesting job that offers tools to practice medical daily. Only must adjust bibliographic references to the requirements of our wages. The article deserves to be published*

We thank the reviewer for his/her comment.

- We have adjusted the format of bibliographic references according to the Journal guidelines.

Best regards

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