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To the kind attention of the Scientific Editor,

as suggested by the reviewers we have made same the modifications to our manuscript.

To answer the comment of the reviewer n **00214317**:

"The manuscript is well writtern but needs update of references and languague polishing"

We have corrected n.56 of bibliography: here we have introduced the correct reference.

We have also revised the entire manuscript and performed additional language polishing.

To answer the comment of the reviewer n **02454185**:

"This is a good review paper covering all aspects of Transcranial Doppler ultrasonography. I have several small suggestions for the authors to improve the manuscript.

1. Can authors add a section discussing characteristics of TCD in brain death? Readers may be interested in this issue.

2. In the discussion of diagnostic accuracy, can the author make a meta-analysis using HSROC curve ? the combined result may be more attractive to readers."

We have:

-revised and expanded the section dealing with the Brain Death in order to better explain TCD findings and its role in this condition.

- introduced an additional table derived from results of major clinical studies, to better summarize diagnostic accuracy of TCD and its diagnostic role in the setting of the cryptogenic stroke, as properly required by the reviewers

Moreover we have provided figure n 6 in a decomposable and modifiable format, in which each single part is movable and words can be edited.

All additions and modification to the manuscript are highlighted in yellow in the current version.

So we have updated the manuscript according to the indications of Guidelines and Requirements for Manuscript Revision-Therapeutics Advances, for what concerns :

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We have also submitted the final title to Google Scholar search, and store screenshot images of the result, as indicated.

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Finally as indicated we have submitted also the figures separated by the main text, but they are also present in the main text.

Best Regards,
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