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Dear editors,

World Journal of Clinical Cases

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On behalf of all authors, I would like to ask you to consider our manuscript entitled "Mendelian Randomization Provides Evidence for a Causal Effect of Serum Insulin-like Growth Factor Family Concentration on Risk of Atrial Fibrillation" for publication in **World Journal of Clinical Cases** as an original research article.

Firstly, we would like to thank you for your kind letter and for reviewers' constructive comments concerning our article (Submission ID 88617). These comments are all valuable and helpful for improving our article. According to the reviewers' and editors' comments, we have tried best to modify our manuscript to meet with the requirements of your journal. In this revised version, changes to our manuscript within the document were directly modified. Point-by-point responses to the reviewers are listed below this letter.

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Responses to the comments of Reviewer #1

1. Numerous abbreviations are used. Every abbreviation MUST be preceded by the spelling in full, in the Abstract and Text. Authors MUST make sure this basic rule is followed. A glaring example of not following this rule is using IGF in the Abstract.

Response: Thanks to your kind suggestion, we have totally revised the abbreviations throughout the manuscript. Thanks a lot.

2. The manner references are written in this sentence is inappropriate. Authors must use only one system of referencing throughout the text - "This is seen in both animal (Kato et al., 2008; Watanabe et al., 2012; Li et al., 2016) and human (Lamberts et al., 2014) studies".

Response: Thanks to your carefully review, we have revised the references to meet the formats of the journal.

3. English language use and sentence construction can be improved.

Response: Thanks to your valuable suggestion, we have sent this manuscript to Charlesworth Editing service for professional English editing. We hope this would be helpful. Thanks.

Responses to the comments of editors

We have totally revised the manuscript according to your comments. The manuscript had been mainly revised in citation format, English polish, adding a checklist and providing figures in PPT.