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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in word format (file name: 21071-edited-Rev comm.doc).

Title: First line vs delayed transplantation in myeloma: Certainties and controversies

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

Reviewer 1

Comments to authors

This review is very well written, precisely summarizing the recent progress in the therapeutics of multiple myeloma (MM) and also discussing the burning question regarding the propriety as well as the timing of autotransplantation. Although a definitive conclusion has not yet been obtained because clinical trials are still on-going, I believe that this review will be of help for the clinicians to consider and determine the therapeutic options of MM.

Minor concerns:

1) In Tables, adding the descriptions regarding the periods of clinical trials or the publishing year of each reference may help readers to quickly understand the date of performance of each clinical research without checking References.

We thank the reviewer for the comment. The publishing year has been added to the tables as suggested.

2) The word "versus" (page 6, line 2; page 6, line 3; page 6, line 26; page 7, line 6; page 7, line 13; page 7, line 23; page 7, line 26.....) should be written as "versus" in Italic because it is a Latin word.

The word versus has been written in italic (versus) throughout the text.

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

Sincerely yours,

Annamaria Brioli