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RE: Manuscript: 65846, Review CIRCCVIM/2021/012603  
“Chagas heart disease: an overview of diagnosis, manifestations, treatment, and care”

Dear Dr Lian-Sheng Ma,

We are very pleased to have the opportunity to submit the revised version of our review entitled “Chagas heart disease: an overview of diagnosis, manifestations, treatment, and care”.

We are grateful to the reviewer’s and editor’s comments that improved our manuscript.

The critiques are addressed point by point below.

Sincerely,

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Reviewer #1:
Scientific Quality: Grade C (Good)
Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)
Conclusion: Minor revision

Specific Comments to Authors: The authors of this review tried to describe in detail the clinical manifestations, diagnostic criteria, classification, risk factors, therapeutic, and care approaches of Chagas heart disease. This review is highly informative and should be helpful for clinicians especially cardiologists in the management of CHD cases. Therefore, I recommend publication after English language revision and polishing.

Answer: We are grateful for the reviewer’s comments. We have our manuscript revised by a professional English editing company. The language certificate was submitted together with the revised manuscript.

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Authors are requested to send their revised manuscript to a professional English language editing company or a native English-speaking expert to polish the manuscript further. When the authors submit the subsequent polished manuscript to us, they must provide a new language certificate along with the manuscript.

Once this step is completed, the manuscript will be quickly accepted and published online. Please visit the following website for the professional English language editing companies we recommend: https://www.wjgnet.com/bpg/gerinfo/240.

Answer: We have our manuscript revised by a professional English editing company. The language certificate was submitted together with the revised manuscript.

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Answer: We made the necessary modifications in order to follow all abbreviations rules.
6 EDITORIAL OFFICE’S COMMENTS

Authors must revise the manuscript according to the Editorial Office’s comments and suggestions, which are listed below:

(1) Science editor:

1 Scientific quality: The manuscript describes a review of the chagas heart disease. The topic is within the scope of the WJC. (1) Classification: Grade C; (2) Summary of the Peer-Review Report: This review is highly informative and should be helpful for clinicians especially cardiologists in the management of CHD cases;

Answer: Thank You for your comments.

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Answer: We did not experience this problem during the reviewing process.

2 Language evaluation: Classification: Grade B. 3 Academic norms and rules: No academic misconduct was found in the Bing search. 4 Supplementary comments: This is an invited manuscript. No financial support was obtained for the study. The topic has not previously been published in the WJC.
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Answer: We are not reusing Figures published elsewhere. All Figures are original. The Tables are original and based on previous publications which are cited in Tables and reference list.

(2) Company editor-in-chief:

I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report, the full text of the manuscript, and the relevant ethics documents, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Cardiology, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted. I have sent the manuscript to the author(s) for its revision according to the Peer-Review Report, Editorial Office’s comments and the Criteria for Manuscript Revision by Authors. Before final acceptance, uniform presentation should be used for figures showing the same or similar contents; for example, “Figure 1Pathological changes of atrophic gastritis after treatment. A: ...; B: ...; C: ...; D: ...; E: ...; F: ...; G: ...”.

Answer: Thank You for your comments. The Figures depict different aspects of Chagas disease, although Figures 2 and 3 are echocardiographic images.
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