Author's response to reviews

Title: Meta-analysis of the association between the urokinase-plasminogen activator (PLAU) gene rs2227564 polymorphism and Alzheimer's disease

Authors:

Wenlong Wu (wuwenlongyun@yahoo.cn)
Hong Jiang (jianghongqy@163.com)
Meiyun Wang (meiyuncomeon@126.com)
Dongfeng Zhang (zhangdf1961@126.com)

Version: 3 Date: 22 October 2012

Author's response to reviews: see over
Dear Editors,

We would like to submit the enclosed manuscript entitled “Meta-analysis of the association between the urokinase-plasminogen activator (PLAU) gene rs2227564 polymorphism and Alzheimer's disease”, which we wish to be considered for publication in the journal of “BMC Medical Genetics”. No conflict of interest exits in the submission of this manuscript, and manuscript is approved by all authors for publication. I would like to declare on behalf of my coauthors that the work described was review, and not under consideration for publication elsewhere, in whole or in part. All the authors listed have approved the manuscript that is enclosed.

The association between urokinase-plasminogen activator (PLAU) gene rs2227564 polymorphism and Alzheimer’s disease (AD) risk has been widely reported across different ethnic populations, with inconsistent results. Thus, we performed a meta-analysis to assess the association between PLAU rs2227564 polymorphisms and AD risk.

This meta-analysis showed that T allele of rs2227564 polymorphism in PLAU gene could increase effects on risk of AD, and this result needs to be confirmed by further studies.

We deeply appreciate your consideration of our manuscript, and we look forward to receiving comments from the reviewers. If you have any queries, please don’t hesitate to contact me at the address below.

Thank you and best regards.

Yours sincerely,

Wenlong Wu

20/10/2012