In response to: Comment on “Review of Dohan Ehrenfest et al. (2009) on “Classification of platelet concentrates: From pure platelet-rich plasma (P-PRP) to leucocyte- and platelet-rich fibrin (L-PRF)”

We thank the authors for reaching out with their comments. When conducting our review on The Classic “Review of Dohan Ehrenfest et al. (2009) on “Classification of platelet concentrates: From pure platelet-rich plasma (P-PRP) to leucocyte- and platelet-rich fibrin (L-PRF)” [1,2] we had no intention to favor any classification over others but highlighting the role of each one in improving our current knowledge in orthobiologics.

We apologize for missing Kon et al. coding system [3] and assure the experts involved in this classification system that it was an innocent omission without intentional harm. The impact of this paper can be attested without any doubt by its astonishing metrics, and we hope the proposed Universal Coding System will answer the current lack of reporting quality among orthobiologics studies. However, it is essential to note that by the time we reply to this letter, around twenty to thirty publications have reported their platelet-rich plasma composition using this classification from over 350 clinical trials indexed in PubMed conducted over that period. Thus, we must still promote guideline adoption among editors and reviewers as part of the submission and peer-review process as the next step toward our shared goal [4,5].

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