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EDITORIAL COMMENT'S on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to editor's comments
<p><b>Need revision.</b> It contains an important theoretical part placed in the section of "discussion" instead of an analysis of the data. It contains only "percents" without interpretation of data. Please see the attached file.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Concerning the comment on the population age (14-18) in our hospital, patients beyond the age of 14 are followed in adults department and not in pediatric department and thus they were included in the study. We compared elderly (&gt;65years old) to younger patients. The causes of heart failure among 14-18 patients are not different from 18-19-20... patients.</li> <li>- Concerning the result about the age, we have adjusted the results (an error by switching the groups while taping)</li> <li>- Concerning the Hospitalisation: the hospitalisation was for decompensated heart failure (HF hospitalisation) all causes of decompensation were included, we do not have the details of the cause of decompensation for each patient (too many causes can be responsible for HF decompensation and sometimes multiples causes may be found in the same patient)</li> <li>- Concerning the physiopathology, we found it was very legitimate to begin with a reminder aging process in elderly patients as in most published articles, in order to understand the particularities of management of heart failure in elderly patients. However, we have modified the discussion and the physiopathology was added in the introduction. (highlighted in blue)</li> <li>- Concerning the data analysis. It was done in discussion and analysis was made by explaining the findings according to the physiopathology in elderly patients. Paragraphs where results are analysed are highlighted in blue. We tried to compare the results to the literature and references were added when we referred to other studies.</li> </ul>