



Letter to the Editor

Sex-differences in hypertrophic cardiomyopathy-more than 20 years of investigations

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Dear Sir

I would like to point out that in the review by Pelliccia F. [1], regarding sex differences in hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, several papers form the early stages of investigations (published in 1997–2004), with many important findings, has not been cited [2–5]. Our pioneering studies initiated and accelerated further, more detailed studies. I feel that our group gave support for next studies, which should be emphasized. I believe that this reference would give the readers full image of scientific progression in this area, which was based on hypothesis-generation process.

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