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RE: NRES-D-06-00056R1, titled "Psychometric Evaluation of the Chinese Version of the Minnesota Living with Heart Failure Questionnaire"

Dear Mrs. Ho,

I am pleased to inform you that your work has now been accepted for publication in Nursing Research. All manuscript materials will be forwarded to the production staff in the near future for placement in an upcoming issue. Please remember to send the copyright release form which you should complete, have each author sign, and return to me via fax (919-966-9736) as soon as possible. It can be found on this Web site at "Instructions to Authors." You may make copies as necessary.

In the meantime, there are a couple of questions remaining:

(1) In Table 2, there are 21 Items listed. Are these the complete items from the MLHFQ? If so, you will need to change/modify them to avoid copyright problems.

(2) We would like to post on the Nursing Research Editor's Web site [<http://www.nursing-research-editor.com/authors/open.php>] the original manuscript on which you are a co-author that was submitted to Nursing Research simultaneously with the print publication of your article. The reviews on your manuscript were balanced and instructive. I am asking the permission of the reviewers to post their reviews of your manuscript also.

The posting includes this introduction to readers: At Nursing Research we are taking a first step in open peer review. If readers find this feature instructive we will expand it. Posting information on published manuscripts allows you to read the peer reviews, examine how manuscripts are revised based on them, and understand the contribution of the editorial office. The originally submitted manuscript is posted; you may compare it with the published article. You may review the other manuscripts that have been posted at the URL above.

Would you please send this request to your co-authors when you correspond with them about the copyright form? They are welcome to respond to this request via e-mail to my address. We will not post the original manuscript without the permission of all the authors.

We hope that you will be enthusiastic about this project. We think it will be very helpful to authors of articles in nursing research journals.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you for submitting your interesting and important work to the journal.

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With Kind Regards,

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