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To: Jaydev Upponi, Ph.D.
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Dear Dr. Upponi,

I am pleased to submit the **revised** manuscript entitled, "Intravital Imaging of Axonal Interactions with Microglia and Macrophages in a Mouse Dorsal Column Crush Injury" (JoVE52228R1) which was originally submitted on April 15, 2014 in response to your kind invitation to contribute this work to JoVE.

I greatly appreciate the thoughtful and thorough comments from all the reviewers. We have specifically addressed all of the comments and suggestions raised by the reviewers in detail, revised relevant sections accordingly, and have highlighted these sections of the manuscript in red in order to help facilitate additional review. I believe the reviewers' comments have made this manuscript much stronger.

Our current manuscript brings forth a set of experimental and technical expertise that would be of great interests to many scientists across multiple disciplines including neuroscience, immunology and medicine. I appreciate your invitation to allow us this opportunity to share our experience in this matter. I hope you and the reviewers will find the enclosed revised report of significant importance and high interests to the general readership of *JoVE*, and find this manuscript deserving of thoughtful consideration for publication in this great journal. We look forward to a favorable response from you and the reviewers upon re-examination.

Sincerely,

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