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Dear Editor,

Thank you very much for sending your comments on our manuscript entitled "*Traction force microscopy to study B lymphocyte activation*".

As announced in a previous mail, we added the analysis part to our protocol and made our code available in a public repository. We apologize for the time it took: not only we had to make the code more user-friendly, but, to make it publicly available, we had to comply with a number of legal issues that are now solved (use of a copyrighted routine in the code).

We hope that the analysis part will improve the readability and impact of the manuscript and that it is now ready for filming and publication.

With our best regards,

Paolo Pierobon (on behalf of the authors)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. Pierobon", with a stylized flourish at the end.