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| Supplementary Table .- Characteristics of the sample  |
|  | Low Altitude (LA) | High Altitude (HA) |
|  | NB llama | NB sheep | NB llama | NB sheep |
| Numbers (n) | 7 | 8 | 6 | 6 |
| Weight (Kg) | 12.0 ± 1.4 | 8.7 ± 1.5 | 9.0 ± 1.0 | 6.7 ± 0.8 |
| Age (Days) | 12.0 ± 1.0 | 13.0 ± 1.0 | 12.0 ± 1.0 | 13.0 ± 1.0 |
| Gender (M/F)  | 4/3 | 5/3 | 3/3 | 3/3 |
| Optimal diameter (μm)  | 350 ± 30 | 359 ± 33 | 325 ± 50 | 315 ± 43 |
| Vessel length (mm)  | 1.8 ± 0.1 | 1.8 ± 0.1 | 1.9 ± 0.1 | 1.9 ± 0.1 |
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| Values expressed means ± SEM |