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Respected Editor,

We thank you for reconsidering our manuscript entitled “Gender-dependent associations between socioeconomic status and metabolic syndrome: a cross-sectional study in the adult Saudi population” (Manuscript no. 3455926141074046) pending minor revisions. We have addressed the remaining comments of the reviewers. Other changes including the new revisions were tracked to better facilitate the reviewers and the editorial staff.

We hope the changes done will now merit publication to your esteemed journal.

Best regards,

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Reviewer 1:

No further comments.

Reviewer 2:

Minor essential revisions

Again, as previous stated, the authors should refrain from stating that the models were adjusted for potential confounders, when in fact the only confounder included was age. Also, with do the authors state that the logistic regression computed was conditional? Is this correct? Please revise this.

Response: The authors acknowledge this comment and the statistical analysis part of the revised methods was modified accordingly.