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We would like to thank the reviewers useful comments to improve the quality of the paper. We have revised the manuscript in accordance with the editors’ suggestions.

**Comment 1:** Author list: the list of authors in the manuscript should be written exactly as they are in the submission system, both in style and order. The preferred style is 'First name Initial Last name' (e.g. Joe F Bloggs)

**Response 1:** Author list was corrected according to suggestion of editors.

**Comment 2:** Affiliations: Each affiliation should be written in full, in the following format: Department, Institute, (Street), City, (Postal code), Country. This may mean repeating institutional addresses if the authors are from different departments within an institution

**Response 2:** Each affiliation is written properly to the editors’ suggestion. Mentioned corrections have been made in the Title page of the revised manuscript.

**Comment 3** Abstract: This should be identical in the manuscript and the submission system

**Response 3:** It is revised as Background, Methods, Results and Conclusion sections. In the Methods section, ‘RomeII’ was changed to ‘Rome III’.

**Comment 4:** Abstract: Please change material and methods to methods.

**Response 4:** Mentioned corrections have been made in Abstract section of the revised manuscript.

**Comment 5:** Structure: Change introduction to background. Change material and methods to methods.

**Response 5:** These changes were made according to the suggestions.

**Comment 6:** Highlighting/tracking: Please remove from the manuscript.

**Response 6:** Requested corrections have been made in the revised manuscript.

**Comment 7:** References: the reference list should contain up to 30 authors’ names for each citation. The term ‘et al.’ should not be used if there are fewer than 30 authors

**Response 7:** Names of authors were added and references were corrected according to the suggestions.