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The manuscript has been revised according to your comments. Followings are responses to your specific queries:

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Response: Thank you. This has been added in the revised version. Please refer to the first paragraph of “Study population” on page 4, and the “Acknowledgments” on page 10.

2. Please clarify the type of data used, and whether it is publicly available and de-identified.

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Response: The correct structure has been followed.

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