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Dear Mr. Tamber:

Please find enclosed the revisions to our manuscript entitled *Rational Choice of Cholinesterase Inhibitor for the Treatment of Alzheimer’s Disease in Canada: A Comparative Economic Analysis* in response to your recent inquiry regarding the funding source and financial arrangements associated with this work. The relevant text has been revised to read:

"This work was supported in part by a grant from Janssen-Ortho to Caro Research. Janssen-Ortho collaborated in helping set the specifications for the model of this work but had no role in methodological decisions nor interpretation of results. They were also allowed to review and comment on this manuscript but were explicitly forbidden from exerting any editorial control. The authors are employees of Caro Research, and one (J. Jaime Caro) is a shareholder. Caro Research has also received grants for other, unrelated, research from Pfizer and Novartis, the makers of products potentially affected by this work."

As we previously disclosed, all of the authors have participated in the work and writing of the manuscript. They have seen and approved the paper.

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Thank you for your assistance in this matter and for your consideration of this manuscript. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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