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Minor Essential Revision

Point 1
In the revised manuscript, all of the incidence rates have been defined as “##/100 p-y”.

Points 2-6
All of the suggested changes have been made.

Discretionary Revision

Point 1
On page 13, in the paragraph beginning with, “The finding that…”, the part of the sentence on more efficient infection has been deleted.

Point 2
The term “the follow up period” at page 7 is correct. In seroincidence studies, the follow-up of the seroconverters is interrupted at the midpoint in time between the first and the last tests. This “midpoint” was used to calculate the follow-up of the entire cohort.