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Concerning: Re-Submission of our manuscript

Dear Jenny Leigh,

We would like to re-submit our attached manuscript entitled: „Replication of the Association of Chromosomal Region 9p21.3 with Generalized Aggressive Periodontitis (gAgP) Using an Independent Case-Control Cohort” for publication in “BMC Medical Genetics”.

We introduced various formal changes in the manuscript. We would like to apologize for our very superficial and inadequate consideration of your guidelines for authors in the first version of the manuscript!

In the re-submitted version of the manuscript, we

- structured our abstract according to your guidelines for Medical journals within the BMC series (Background, Methods, Results, Conclusions);
- included a declaration of competing interests in the manuscript;
- included a section on authors' contribution;
- included the name of the body that gave ethical approval to our study, including a reference number;
- reformatted the manuscript and the references according to your guidelines.

We hope that the manuscript now fulfills all necessary formal requirements.

Sincerely yours,

Georg Homuth