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Dear Editors,

Thank you for your consideration of our recent submission: MS:1274824451503480, “Fetal ERAP2 variation is associated with preeclampsia in African Americans in a case-control study.” Please find below our detailed responses to the reviewers’ comments.

Sincerely,

Jerome F. Strauss III, M.D., Ph.D.

I. Please note the addition of a funding source to the Acknowledgements and Funding section: R01HD034612.

II. Reviewer: Sara Sedano-Balbas

Results: Include what mixed refers to within the text

Response: addition to text has been made as requested.

Discussion: Include explanation “white” in the text

Response: This has been clarified in the text to be a racial/ethnic group that was defined by Caughey et al. Specifically, white means not Asian, African American, Hispanic, or Native American and was constructed based on self reported racial and ethnic data by the studies authors.