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Dear Dr. Patel:

We are pleased to submit for your editorial review the updated version of the proofed manuscript entitled “Genome Wide Prediction of Childhood Asthma Exacerbations Using Random Forests Classifiers.” In this revision of the accepted manuscript, we have made one minor change to the author list:

We have added a “†” in the superscript beside the names Mousheng Xu and Kelan G Tantisira to indicate that these authors contributed equally to this work.

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