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Regarding: Submission of revised accepted manuscript

Dear Dr. Le,

Thank you for accepting our manuscript. The following amendements have been made as requested:

1) The inclusion of ethical/consent approval from both of the studies has been included in the manuscript in the methods section under the sub-heading ‘subjects’ and this section now reads as follows -

The Asian Indian adult cohort comprised of 557 parents from the Pune children study, which is a consecutive birth cohort from KEM Hospital, Pune [17]. This cohort consisted of subjects of Indo European descent from Maharashtra in Western India. The Institutional Ethics Committee approved the study following the Indian Council of Medical Research guidelines for research on human subjects. All subjects gave written informed consent to participate in the study. The UK white adult cohort included 237 parents from the Plymouth EarlyBird study, which is a non-intervention prospective study of school age children and their parents [18]. This cohort complies with the Declaration of Helsinki, and Local Research Ethics Committee approval was obtained early in 1999. Subjects with diabetes on fasting and 2-hour OGTT criteria were excluded. Clinical details of subjects are given in table 1.

2) The abstract has been altered to adhere to the guidelines

3) The revised manuscript has been altered to conform to the journal style

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there are any problems.

Yours sincerely

Dr. Kirsten Ward