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Title: Risk factors of one year increment of heart calcifications and survival in hemodialysis patients

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Dear Sir,

enclosed is the revised manuscript “Risk factors of one year increment of coronary calcifications and survival in hemodialysis patients”.

Changes to the manuscript are shown by italics.

This study, due to its observational nature, has not required ethical approval. Samples were collected as part of the standard care and used afterwards. A new statement has been reported in the Methods.

Best regards,

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