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To whom it may concern

Cover letter – “1012492767112383 - Focal subarachnoid haemorrhage mimicking transient ischaemic attack - do we really need MRI in acute stage”

Munich, 30th of March 2014

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

We are very pleased that our article now met your requirements!

Please excuse the delay in our response and now find attached our point-by-point response including the extensions still pending

Yours sincerely,

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