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Thank you for the feedback. We have added the following text to the method section to explain a little more about who performed the measurements:

(...) If they accepted to participate, a trained nurse conducted a background questionnaire, took some anthropometric measurements and initiated a total energy expenditure (TEE) measurement using a combined heart-rate and activity monitor. After 7 days the women came back to the ANC, where the TEE measurement was terminated. The four nurses engaged in the present study were experienced Ethiopian nurses (#5 years) from the local community. They all had good Amheric, Afar Oromo and English skills, and were extensively trained for several weeks prior to the study by the authors. Throughout the study daily communication between the nurses and the authors was set up to assist and ensure high quality data. The women received a reimbursement of 5 birr (#0.50 USD) to cover extra transportation. (...)

Yours sincerely
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