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Major Compulsory Revisions

The authors are to be commended for their responsiveness. But I am not convinced that a sample of convenience can answer the questions that the author pose. The fact that other studies have used samples of convenience is not adequate. Moreover, I still believe the sample size is too small to address the issue of diversity.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests