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Dear Prof. Appelbaum,

please find attached our revised Ms. No. 2466547894987937 by Tadic and Wagner et al. We are grateful to the Senior Executive Editor for her recommendations. According to your decision we have improved and revised our manuscript according to the Senior Executive Editor comments. In detail, we have dealt as follows with the reviewer’s comments (changes in the revised MS are coloured, underlined and written in italics):

**Comment 1:** Please include the name of the ethical board that has granted approval for the study.
**Action taken:** According to the Senior Executive Editor’s suggestion we added the name of the ethical board to the ethical issues section of the revised manuscript (p.16, line 11).

**Comment 2:** Research carried out on humans must be in compliance with the Helsinki Declaration and any experimental research on animals must follow internationally recognized guidelines. A statement to this effect must appear in the Methods section of the manuscript.
**Action taken:** According to the Senior Executive Editor’s suggestion we added a statement regarding the compliance of our study with the Helsinki Declaration to the ethical issues section of the revised manuscript (p.16, line 12-13).

We again wish to thank the Senior Executive Editor for her helpful comments and we hope that you will find our revised manuscript now fully suitable for publication.

With best regards,

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