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Dear Dr. Majithia,

We have now included a clarification of the ethics approval of our study as follows:

Ethics

The protocol for this research was approved by the Institutional Review Board of the University of Texas at Austin, and the research was carried out in compliance with the United States National Institute of Health regulations, policy, and guidelines for human subject research (http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/hs/hs_policies.htm).

In the Setting and Participants section, we further noted the following:

Written informed consent, approved by the first author’s institutional review board, was obtained from each participant after the study procedures had been fully explained and before any screening and baseline assessments were conducted.

Thank you, and we look forward to your and your reviewers’ comments.

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