Author's response to reviews

Title: Cognitive Behavioral Therapy versus Short Psychodynamic Supportive Psychotherapy in the outpatient treatment of depression: a randomized controlled trial

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Dear Sir/Madam,

The following changes have been made to the manuscript as was requested by the BMC Editorial Production Team.

- The title of the methods section was changed from Methods to Methods/Design
- The ethical principles section, including a statement regarding the Helsinki declaration, was moved from the discussion section to the methods/design section.
- The legends of table 1 were moved from above the table to below the table.

In addition, the following final corrections were made on request of the authors.
- On page 8, a space was added between "(MINI-Plus)" and "[17]."
- On page 9 in the last sentence of the introduction to the intervention section, "...the pharmacotherapy protocol, and the therapists." was added.
- On page 15, the Hamilton Depression Rating Scales were corrected from 0-3 and 0-5 to 0-2 and 0-4.
- On page 28, the order of the references 7-10 was changed in order to correctly represent the chronological time frame of these trails. In addition, reference number 10 (in the revised manuscript) was changed from the submitted state to "in press". This resulted in small changes regarding the authors, title and journal name.
We are looking forward to the publication of the manuscript.
With all best wishes,
Ellen Driessen