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I have corrected according to the formatting requirements (last § of discussion “In summary…” has now got the heading “conclusion”) and also corrected the spaces between some of the §.

Further minor revisions:

P 5 last § 1st line quasi- has been changed to pseudo- and so has quasi- been changed in the 3rd line 2nd § (quotation marks removed) on p 6 (in agreement with p 12 2nd § last line.)

P 9, 2nd § last line “remains” has been changed to past tense to fit the beginning of the sentence. Similarly p 10, 1st §, 2nd line “is” has been changed to “was”.

**Author's contribution:** PL… drafting of “manuscript” has been added.