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Title: Socioeconomic inequalities in cause specific mortality among older people in France

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Dear Editor,

I thank Reviewer 3 for his positive comment on the revised version. I took into account Reviewer 1’s comments. Please find below my answer to his remarks.

1. As suggested, I replaced the word "subjects" by the word "people" throughout the manuscript except at very few places where the word "subjects" was more appropriate.

2. As suggested, when I refereed to a specific age group in the text, I added the words "years".

3. I followed the suggestion and removed the sentence.

4. We can present the results by cause of death (as suggested by the reviewer), or by type of results (contribution of causes of death to inequalities and cause specific inequalities) (as it is done now). We did not change the presentation of the results as it follows the figures and tables. We first present results of figure 1 and then results of table 1.

5. We agree that this is slightly redundant. However, this is an important quality control so we decided to still briefly mention it in the results section.

I hope you will be satisfied with the new version.

Sincerely yours,

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