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Dear Sir/Madame;

I am sorry that you are still waiting for me to provide a revised submission to BMC Public Health but something was wrong in the communication process since I had not received any mail containing the changes we needed to do.

Please find attached the revised manuscript (4624169672979167) entitled “The Peripheral Arterial Disease Study (PERART/ARTPER): Prevalence and risk factors in the general population”.

The text has been reviewed. Below please find the point by point answers to the referees’ suggestions and comments.

**Major revisions**

1. Author groups: please include the name of the group within the list of authors, by adding the name to the `first name` box; and the bracketed abbreviation to the `last name` box in the submission system. Please remove the names of the members of the group from the title page and place them in the Acknowledgements, as they are to be acknowledged as members of the study group.

   The name of the group “The PERART/ARTPER study group” has been placed in the “first name” and “PERART/ARTPER” in the “last name” boxes. We hope that it is correct now.

   In the title page only the significant contributors to the manuscript writing appear (not the whole group). Group members are listed now in the Acknowledgements section.

2. The groups contribution as a whole can be given in the authors contributions section.

   **We prefer to left this section as it is now if possible.**

3. References please cite all references in numerical order in the text. References 33-36 are not cited in sequence.

   **Done.**
Minor revisions

1. Abstract: please remove the Aims subheading from this section and the Keywords. Remember to remove them from the submission system as well.

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2. Abbreviations: please format as a paragraph.

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3. Underlining: please remove from the text.

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5. Typography: Please take this opportunity to check your manuscript for any typographical errors and to make any final corrections or revisions. This is the final proofing stage for your manuscript, and you will not be able to make any changes after acceptance.

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We hope the manuscript is now suitable for publication. Do not hesitate to contact us if you need further information.

Yours sincerely,

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