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Title: The self-reported prevalence of childhood allergic diseases in three cities in China: a multicentre study

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Abstract
1# However, few data are available on the current status of allergic diseases prevalence in Chinese children.
   “disease” is changed to “diseases”
2# Economic development and urbanization in China over the past decade have dramatically changed both the environmental and lifestyle features of children
   “decade” is changed to “decades”

Methods
1# Our study was conducted in Beijing, Chongqing and Guangzhou; three large cities located in different regions of China.
   “;” is changed to “,”
2# Chongqing lies in Southwest China, in a region of high humidity. Guangzhou is in the south of China, and has a subtropical climate.
   “that” is deleted
3# The self-reported prevalence of asthma, rhinitis, and eczema in each city are shown as proportions (percentages) of the number of affected children, with respect to all questionnaire respondents in any given city
   “(percentages)” is deleted

Results
The prevalence of allergic diseases varied with age.

“disease” is changed to ”diseases”

Discussion

1#However, boys, who tend to engage in more outdoor activities, are better protected against development of allergic diseases.

“However” is changed to “Besides”

2#Sampling method is also a potential source of bias. In the present study, we measured child numbers in each age group, and randomly selected subjects with reference to these numbers, to ensure that our data were representative.

“were” is changed to “was”

Author contributions

JZ and JB participated in study design and performed statistical analysis.

“Analysrs” is changed to “analysis”

Tables

I have changed the tables which are formed from cells.