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Title: Measuring health-related quality of life in men with osteoporosis or osteoporotic fracture

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1) Please include in the Methods section details of how long the intended follow-up is for this study.

Baseline variables and RFQs will be collected at the time of inclusion (2011). Current variables will be collected once all baseline variables from the participating individuals have been recorded (June 2011-December 2012).

2) Please clarify the funding sources for your study, clarifying which funding bodies peer-reviewed the study protocol and providing evidence of the funding provided by each body (including the amount of funding that was awarded).

In 2009 the protocol was granted a 3,000 Euros fellowship to the Best Doctoral Thesis Project of the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona-Novartis Chair in Family Medicine Teaching and Research.

In 2010 the protocol was granted a fellowship on Research Training and Doctorate (PhD development) in Primary Care of the IDIAP Jordi Gol i Gurina. Throughout a two years period of the grant, 25% of working time will be devoted to the completion of the PhD.

3) Please provide a list of any manuscripts that are under submission with other
journals based on this study protocol.

This manuscript has not been wholly or partially submitted elsewhere and has been read and approved by all the authors and there is no conflict of interest.

You may respond to us regarding points (2) and (3) within an email (please send through funding proofs as an email attachment). We also request that you respond to point (1) within a revised manuscript which should be uploaded via our submission system.