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Dear Professor Pafitis,

We hereby resubmit our manuscript, “Socioeconomic inequalities in cardiovascular mortality and the role of childhood socioeconomic conditions and adulthood risk factors: a prospective cohort study with 17-years of follow up”, for consideration for publication in the *BMC Public Health*.

Victorino Silvestre from the Editorial Office requested us to document within the Methods section of the manuscript whether the data retrieved for our study are openly available or whether we received permission (and by who) to use the data. To clarify this, we added two sentences to the Methods section, namely:

- Directly under the heading METHODS, we write that “Longitudinal data were used from the GLOBE study conducted in the Netherlands (these data are available from the first author upon request)”.
- Under the subheading of CVD mortality and data linkage, we now write that “Cause specific mortality data were obtained from Statistics Netherlands, after permission from Statistics Netherlands.”

We hope that our manuscript is now ready for peer review. If still some changes are needed, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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