Author's response to reviews

Title: Drowning deaths in Sweden with emphasis on the presence of alcohol and drugs - a retrospective study, 1992-2009

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Dear Editor,

Thank you for your comments to the revised manuscript. The requested changes have been made. Please, find below our reply.

Best regards,
Kristin Ahlm, corresponding author.

Editors Comments:

(1) Change the running head to "Drowning deaths in Sweden" if the word count allows it.

Reply: The running head has been changed according to your suggestion.

(2) Per the comment from Review #2 (the word drownings should be avoided where possible, you should talk about drowning deaths or drowning incidents if they do not die or drowning morbidity if they are left with a permanent disability following a drowning incident), please further edit the Intro to remove "drowning" where possible.

Reply: The word “drowning” has been changed to “drowning deaths” in the introduction were applicable.

(3) Why are the percentages missing in Table 2 in the section on homicide?

Reply: The numbers were small in the homicide group. We have now inserted the percentages in Table 2 for the homicide group as well.