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Dear Doctor Pafitis,

We are pleased to resubmit this revised manuscript. We appreciated the suggestions and have made improvements to the manuscript based on their comments. We have responded to the comments in the following pages.

We believe that the manuscript is significantly improved and, we hope, acceptable for publication. On behalf of my co-authors, I am submitting this revised version of the manuscript for review.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require further information.

Sincerely,

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Thanks for your observation and we apologise for the mistakes. This information was included in the Methods section (paragraph 2, page 4) in the new version of the manuscript.

2. Please supply English language versions of all questionnaires developed specifically for use in this study, and upload them as additional files.

Thank you for your suggestion. In fact, the final food list, portions in grams or milliliters and household measures of the questionnaire developed are presented in Table 3. Also, we included the English language version of this questionnaire in additional files.

3. Consent statement for the groups of people on whom the questionnaire was tested. Kindly include/state this within the Methods section of the manuscript.

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