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Dear sir,

Thank you for the request regarding the name of the body which gave approval. As it was a study in 6 countries, ethical approval was requested and granted by each of the participating institutions’ ethics committee, as described in the methodology section.

Furthermore a number of modifications have been made according the journals’ criteria: the discussion part was made a component of the result, a list of abbreviations was included, the linings of the tables were made visible. We feel now that the article fulfills all the criteria of the journal.

With kind regards and awaiting your reply,

Prisca Zwanikken, corresponding author