Author’s response to reviews

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We thank you for the valuable remarks and we have made a major revision of the manuscript according to the comments.

A professional translator used by the University of Lund has reviewed the manuscript.

We have adopted the manuscript according to the formatting checklist.

The title of the manuscript is changed after suggestions from one of the referees.

The reference list is extended and updated.

The tables are completed with missing variables and units are included. A box plot showing the distribution of water hardness is added, figure 1.

The statistical methods are described more in details and all p values are added to the tables. Analyses are performed according to sex as well as regression analyses controlled for age and sex.

All abbreviation are defined.

Since we have performed a major revision it is not possible to make a point-to-point comment to all remarks from the referees since many of the changes are achieved by the revision of the manuscript. We have taken all in account and made the revision according to the remarks.

The conclusion is revised according to the results and discussion.