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Dear Editor,

Please find attached the re-revised version of our manuscript.

The manuscript has been revised according to all reviewers’ comments. All changes are highlighted in the text. Please find below our point-by-point reply to the reviewers.

The manuscript has been copy edited.

Looking forward to receiving your final decision,

Yours sincerely,

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Point-by-point reply to the reviewers

Reviewer: Fumio Kobayashi

Major compulsory revisions

“The authors should revise the expressions in the Results (page 11, line 5 from the bottom), Discussion (page 15, line 5), Conclusion (page 18, line 2), and Abstract (page 2).” : As suggested, the sentence in the Results section has been revised (“Whereas no occupational impact was found for most disorders either over lifetime or in the last year, a higher risk of lifetime anxiety disorders was found in male teachers”; page 11, line 5 from the bottom). A sentence has been added in the Discussion section to clearly mention that multiple analyses revealed, however, a higher risk of lifetime anxiety disorders in male teachers (“However, multiple analyses, adjusted for all confounding variables…”; page 15, line 7). The sentence in the Conclusions section has been revised to mention that an occupational impact has been identified in men for anxiety disorders (“This study shows…, although multiple analyses revealed a higher risk of lifetime anxiety disorders in male teachers”; page 18, line 1). Finally, the abstract has been modified to much more emphasize this finding ( page 2).

“Conclusion should be more concise.”: The Conclusions section has been shortened (page 18).

“The second phrase “In this study…” should be moved to the Discussion.”: The sentence has been moved to the Discussion section (“Sixth, in this survey, no information was collected…; page 17, line 2).

Reviewer: Pascal Wild

No revision requested