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Dear editor, the referee Nicolas Hammar approved the revised manuscript without further changes. The referee Seeromanie Harding made a number of suggestions to correct minor, yet important, errors. We have made the appropriate changes, and clarified text as appropriate. We noted her suggestions for future analysis, which we will take into account in phase 2 of this project. We have refrained from adding any new references at this stage, but clarified the statement about South Asians living near to hospitals. We have also clarified the text in relation to survival of White populations.

Finally, we thank you and the referees for the painstaking efforts you have made to improve this manuscript.

Yours sincerely

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