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We have now addressed the Editor’s comment concerning the ethical procedures involved with our study. We confirm that the study design was approved by the Ethics Committee for the Analysis of Research Projects (CAPPesq HCFMUSP no. 0074/08). Prior to their enrollment, all participants were informed of the purpose and procedures, after which all gave written informed consent. This information is in the Methods section (first paragraph) and is marked in red.

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