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Dear Melissa Norton,

Please find attached a revised electronic version of our manuscript entitled:

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Thank you for your first support whilst evaluating this article for a possible publication in *BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders*.

In comparison to the manuscript sent prior to this revision we made changes in the 'Methods' section introducing a paragraph named 'Ethics': “In this trial we consider the ethical, legal and regulatory norms and standards for research involving human subjects in Germany. As we did neither deal with subjects’ data nor experimental research on humans was performed, ethical approval is not necessary ([http://www.wma.net/e/policy/b3.htm](http://www.wma.net/e/policy/b3.htm)). Written consent was not sought from each participant for use of survey data, but consent of respondents was assumed if they completed and returned the questionnaire”.

Sincerely yours,

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