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Dear Editor#

Here we submit a revised manuscript entitled “Lack of associations between two previously identified susceptible single nucleotide polymorphisms of Interleukin-23 receptor gene and ankylosing spondylitis: a replication study in a Chinese Han population”. We have reformatted this manuscript according to the “Instructions for Authors” of your journal. Our study was approved by the Research Ethics Committee of the university hospital and informed consents to DNA analysis were obtained from all the subjects. A statement to this effect has been added in the Methods section.

Thank you very much for your attention.

Sincerely yours#
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