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Dear Editor,

We would hereby like to re-submit the manuscript: “Functional health status in subjects after a motor vehicle accident, with emphasis on whiplash associated disorders. Design of a descriptive, prospective inception cohort study” for publication in BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to revise the manuscript.

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