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Thanks for the email requesting us to format our manuscript to allow for easy online production. We have addressed all the formatting changes requested, moved some of the paragraphs around and have also revised the conclusions in the abstract section. We have reproduced some of your requests below and our responses are in the section following the series of asterisks ‘****’ after the comments

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