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Title: Overuse of Non-Prescription Analgesics by Dental Clinic Patients

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We thank the reviewers for their comments. Here is our response:

We have changed the first paragraph of the introduction to expand our discussion of the use of non-prescription analgesics for dental pain.

"Pain is a common complaint among patients presenting for care at a dental clinic. Non-prescription analgesic (NPA) pain relievers are commonly used by patients with dental pain. They decrease pain when administered after dental extractions [refs] and when administered prior to dental surgery [Kokki]. However, there is little research describing how these products are used by patient prior to seeking dental care. When the manufacturer's recommended dosing is followed, these medications are very safe."

1. remove the Objective section from the Abstract and include a Background section instead

We have removed the Objectives section and changed it to a Background section.

2. include an Authors' Contributions section before the References

We have added the authors contribution section.

3. include an Acknowledgements section before the References.

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