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Response to the Editorial Request

Thank you for this opportunity to improve the manuscript. Please find our answer below.

Editorial Request:
The only minor revision I would ask them to do is to reduce the decimals in the tables to one decimals after the comma for the frequencies and means but not for the SD.

Authors’ answer:
Thank you for this minor revision. We have done the suggested corrections and reduced the decimals in the tables to one decimals after the comma for the frequencies and means but not for the SD. We have also applied these corrections to the text, when necessary.

Changes in the manuscript:
See Tables 1, 2, 3 and 4.
See “results” and “discussion” sections.

In addition to the minor revision requested, the authors think that the following additional modification will improve the manuscript: we have deleted the “p” values provided in the abstract and in the results section when presenting the results of the univariate analysis. The reason for this is that providing only “p” values without mentioning the actual results for each variable is of low interest for the reader, and both “p” values and actual results are can be found in Table 4.

With best wishes,
Anna Renom-Guiteras on behalf of all co-authors