Author's response to reviews

Title: High coffee consumption and different brewing methods in relation to postmenopausal endometrial cancer risk in the Norwegian Women and Cancer Study: a population-based prospective study

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Dear Editor,

Thank you for your e-mail of 8 February 2014 informing us about the reassessment of our manuscript “High coffee consumption and different brewing methods in relation to postmenopausal endometrial cancer risk in the Norwegian Women and Cancer Study: a population-based prospective study” by Gavrilyuk et al. We are including our point-by-point replies (in *italics*) to the editorial comments (in **bold**) here below:

1. Please remove supplementary files for the main manuscript file, and upload them as additional files.
   
   We apologize for the confusion regarding the supplementary tables. We have uploaded them separately as additional files as requested, and we further confirm that our revised manuscript conforms to the author instructions of *BMC Women’s Health*. Our table titles for Tables 3 and 4 are longer than the fifteen words specified in your journal instructions, but as we cannot see a way to shorten them, we hope that you will allow us this small overage.

2. Please note that all authors must fulfill the ICMJE criteria for authorship ([http://www.icmje.org/roles_a.html](http://www.icmje.org/roles_a.html)). Currently, author GS is listed as contributing solely to the revision of the manuscript, which does not meet these criteria. Please clarify the role of this author, and if necessary, remove from the list of authors and mention in the Acknowledgements section.
   
   We apologize for the incomplete information about the contribution of author Guri Skeie. Dr Skeie is one of the leading nutritionists in our research group and has helped with the planning of statistical analysis and revised the manuscript. The contribution of this author has been amended in the revised version of the manuscript (page 21, highlighted in yellow).

As an additional note, further to the e-mail from Dr Peter O’Donovan of 11 March 2014 (please see attached e-mail correspondence), the version of the manuscript that we have uploaded today includes a different version of Table 2. This version includes the prevalence of diabetes, which was requested by the reviewers.

We look forward to receiving your final decision and thank you again for considering this revised version.

On behalf of the authors,

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Oxana,

Thank you for your email below, which was passed onto me as Executive Editor for the journal. I would recommend that you use the revised table in which you also stratify by diabetes status, as this would then fully comply with the reviewer’s comments.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any further concerns.

Best wishes,

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Dear Ruth,

I still have the question regarding the Table 2 in the manuscript number 1490216512111449: High coffee consumption and different brewing methods in relation to postmenopausal endometrial cancer risk in the Norwegian Women and Cancer Study: a population-based prospective study by Oxana Gavrilyuk, Tonje Braaten, Guri Skeie, Elisabete Weiderpass, Vanessa Dumeaux and Elliv Lund (submitted for publication in BMC Women's Health). Please see the email below. As the editors requested resubmission by the 10th of March, I have resubmitted the manuscript yesterday but the question regarding the Table 2 is still unclear. Anyway I uploaded the alternative version of Table 2 as additional file. Please let us know if it is ok or we still have to do any formatting changes.

We thank you very much for your time an attention to this matter, and look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Oxana Gavrilyuk