Author’s response to reviews

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Dear Editor

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Thank you for responding to my submission of the manuscript “Medication effectiveness may not be the major reason for accepting cardiovascular preventive medication: A population-based survey”.

You expressed concern as to the exemption of the study from specific ethical approval, and asked me to elaborate on the circumstances under which the exemption applies in the Danish setting.

According to the Act on a Biomedical Research Ethics Committee System in Denmark and the Processing of Biomedical Research Projects, Part 2 § 2, 1, the project was not a biomedical research project and therefore did not need the ethic committees approval. (http://www.cvk.sum.dk/English/actonabiomedicalresearch.aspx). Furthermore, the study was approved by the Danish Data Protection Agency.

This supplemental information has been added to the manuscript in the Methods section (p 7, lines 147-149).

All authors have read and approved the revised manuscript.

I look forward to hearing your decision.

Yours sincerely,

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