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Dear Editorial Team,

**Mortality in Dutch hospitals: Trends in time, place and cause of death after admission for myocardial infarction and stroke. An observational study**

We herein submit a new version of the manuscript “Mortality in Dutch hospitals: Trends in time, place and cause of death after admission for myocardial infarction and stroke. An observational study.” by LCJ Slobbe, OA Arah, A De Bruin and GP Westert to be considered for publication as a Research Article in your esteemed journal. We confirm again that the paper has not been previously published, nor is it being considered by any other journal. We thank the reviewers for their comments which considerably improved the manuscript. We also thank the editors for their positive decision on the publication of our article.

In this final version the issues found in the proofing stage have been addressed:

1. A conclusion section-head has been inserted.
2. A website mentioned as source under a table has been put in the reference list, using endnote.
3. Full stop/period has been removed from title in submission system.

We confirm that all authors have read and approved the paper in its revised form. Mr. Slobbe will handle all correspondence about this paper. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely yours,

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(On behalf of all authors)