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We would like to thank Ms Gagliardi who did a very careful examination of the last version of our manuscript. She found two revision done on the first version of the manuscript that weren’t satisfactory. The last changes made are highlighted in the new version and some explanations are given here:

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what processes and strategies constitute KT - while the authors elaborated on the why KT is important the manuscript and concepts considered largely focus on factors influencing the conduct and impact of KT, but they still do not explain for the naive reader (which includes just about everybody) what strategies and processes constitute KT - when someone does KT or uses KT, what do they do exactly? a couple of sentences would probably suffice
WE ADDED A PARAGRAPH (p. 4) TO CLARIFY THIS POINT.

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at the end of the discussion the authors mention a half day validation exercise involving 30 individuals and report some of the data collected from those participants - validation is an important part of developing concepts and theory, and/or strategic planning so it is not clear why details are not included in the Methods and Results, unless this validation half day meeting corresponds to the Step 5 second meeting described in the Methods.
WE SPECIFIED (p. 15) THAT THE VALIDATION PROCESS WAS NOT A
VALIDITY MEASUREMENT BUT THAT WE WANTED TO CONFIRM THAT THE CONCEPT MAPPING RESULTS MAKE SENSE IN THE "REAL WORLD". THIS HALF A DAY MEETING DID NOT CONTRIBUTE TO PRODUCE THE FINAL RESULTS.