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Re: 1949271864104306. **Consistency and accuracy of diagnostic cancer codes generated by automated registration: comparison with manual registration**

Dear Dr. Nikolova,

We were very pleased to learn that you are prepared to accept the paper for publication on condition we make the additional changes requested. We have made these changes with pleasure. In particular:

1. We have eliminated the following:
   - CMI, concordant multiple incident
   - NMI, non-concordant multiple incident
   - UI, unique incident
   - PC, previous concordant
   - PN, previous non-concordant
   substituting them with the full phrases. (see Methods, paragraph “Automatic registration” lines 40-47, 52, 54, 55 and paragraph “Data comparison” line 4).

2. We have removed almost all the numbers from the text that are reported in the tables.

3. We have changed Table 3 as requested: it now shows the percentages total cases accepted automatically for each site. We feel that percentage of automatically accepted cases is more informative than “percentage agreement.”

Yours sincerely,

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