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Dear editor,

we’ve included statements about ethic review boards who approved for the data used in our manuscript, formatted the references according to BMC journal and changed introduction into background - as requested. Please let us know if any more information is needed.

Regards,
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