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Dear Dr. D'Souza,

Attached please find our revised manuscript “Mirroring everyday clinical practice in clinical trial design: a new concept to improve the external validity of randomized double-blind placebo-controlled trials in the pharmacological treatment of major depression”. We have revised the abstract according to your instructions. The abstract is now at 195 words.

Sincerely yours,

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