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Dear Editorial Team

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Thank you very much for interesting to our study.

According to the reviewer’s comments we changed our manuscript results, tables and figures by using the last update published trials in the literature. We had used ATAC 2008 Lancet results and corrected our results. The conclusions of our study did not change. In the previously published trial that was noted by Mr. Dixon, the last ATAC results were not included. This is the last update meta-analysis of the published anastrozole trials in the adjuvant setting that had included all randomized trials.

Our trial answers only the question of superiority of anastrozole to tamoxifen in the adjuvant setting. In order to answer the question of whether one aromatase inhibitor is superior to the others and whether switching is better than upfront aromatase inhibitors we had begun to make another meta-analysis that includes all the adjuvant – neoadjuvant and metastatic trials with aromatase inhibitors.

With my best regards

Prof Dr Adnan Aydiner