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**Major revisions**

1. The abstract is now identical in the manuscript and the submission system
   a. The trial registry is now listed
2. Figures – the figures are now all cited in numerical order in the text and the details have been amended in the list which follows the references.
3. Additional files 1 and 2 have been removed. There are no citations concerning these in the manuscript
4. References – the link for reference 85 does work and links directly to the online report – please let me know if you are still having problems with this

**Minor revisions**

1. Affiliations: country has now been included
2. Tracking/highlighting: all now removed
3. Figures: the titles have been removed and the figures have been cropped as closely as possible. Revised versions of figures 1 to 6 have been attached
4. References: the one reference with ‘et al’ has now been expanded to include all authors
5. Typography: this has now been checked and a few minor errors have been amended