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The authors would like to thank the reviewers for their careful consideration and recommendations which we believe have contributed significantly to the article. Please find the revised article attached with all suggested revisions made (as outlined below). Some minor spelling / grammatical corrections have also been made to the manuscript as well as a reference added at line 434 and 440 to support the arguments discussion points being made.

Reviewer 1:

Minor Essential Revision

Figure 1 & 2: I agree with the authors' response to my previous comments on the definition of the 95% confidence interval. However, in Figure 1 and Figure 2 captions, 95% confidence interval for the standard deviation may be misinterpreted as the 95% confidence interval of the standard deviation, instead of the 95% confidence interval of the mean curve. Please remove the word "standard deviation" or rephrase this sentence to indicate the shaded area is the 95% confidence interval around the mean.

This revision has been made at lines 662 and 669

Reviewer 2:

The authors have completely addressed my previous concerns. I recommend an acceptance of the manuscript.

Reviewer 3:

I believe the main questions asked were clarified and important information has been provided thus improving the current version of the manuscript.