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Dear Editor,

as requested, we made minor revisions to our article “Nitrous oxide occupational exposure in conscious sedation procedures in pediatric dental ambulatories”.

1. The authors amended the table 2, providing ages as age-ranges of the groups being described in each row.

2. Heading changed as requested

3. We obtained the consent from the parents/legal guardians of the patients under the age of 16 in our study.
4 The authors used this statement because we indeed provided all raw data on which our study is based.

5. and 6. The contributions of Mario Graziano Tucci (and not Graziano) is that described for MGT in the author's contributions section of our manuscript.

7. We provided a further clarifications on the authors’ contributions following the indicated guidelines.

8. We removed the Authorship Change Form and the Not Validated Citations document from the file inventory.

9. We uploaded our manuscript as a single, final, clean version that does not contain any tracked changes, comments, highlights, strikethroughs or text in different colours.

Looking forward to hearing from you, I thank you for your kind attention and send you my best regards.

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