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Dear Francesca,

Thank you for the email. We are pleased to know that our manuscript is being considered for publications in BMC Cardiovascular Medicine after a long review process and after some necessary corrections you have listed have been made. We appreciate all the editorial support you have provided so far.
We have amended the ‘Declarations’ to include all the sections listed by you. We have also rephrased the consent to participate as ‘written consent’ in the manuscript. The ‘author’s contribution’ has been rephrased to reflect appropriately individual authors contribution towards preparing this manuscript. Additionally, you have pointed out some sections in the methods to have some textual overlap with two of our earlier published works. We have deleted a few statements and rephrased some lines. Since we have described protocol/methodology that we are routinely using in our center therein, we do acknowledge that some repetition was simply unavoidable. We have referenced them accordingly though.