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Dear Editor,
We are pleased to submit the requested revision of our manuscript entitled: “Cardiac events after macrolides or fluoroquinolones in patients hospitalized for community-acquired pneumonia: post-hoc analysis of a cluster-randomized trial” for publication as a research article.

Please find our point-by-point response to the assistant editor’s comments below. We hope the manuscript in its current form is acceptable for publication in BMC Infectious Diseases.

Yours sincerely,

On behalf of all authors,

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