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The authors accepted our recommendations. In our opinion, the manuscript is now suitable for publication. In the Background, line 3, the word 'gene' is missing: 'Approximately 5% of the world's population carries globin gene mutations' instead 'Approximately 5% of the world's population carries globin mutations'.

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