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Dear Editorial Team,

Many thanks for your comments. We have made the following revisions to the manuscript as suggested:

1. In your Ethics approval section, please clarify whether informed consent obtained from participants was written or verbal.

Response:

As the study was an audit of current practice and approved as such by the St. George’s Clinical Audit Department, written or verbal consent was not required. In the Ethics approval section (Line 499) we have added the audit approval number to the current statement such that it reads:

'The study was approved as an audit by the St George’s Clinical Audit department (No 170 2013/2014) and hence exempted from formal ethics approval process.'

2. Please remove any figure titles and captions from the figure files as these files should contain the image graphics only. Upon doing this, please place the titles/captions at the end
of the main manuscript after the References section under a newly created “Figure legend” heading.

Response:

We have attached all the figure files without any titles and captions and instead placed the titles and captions at the end of the manuscript after the References section under the ‘Figure Legend’ heading.

Kind regards,

Dr Debasish Banerjee