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Dear Dr. Henderson,

This is a revised version of a manuscript by Kaseda et al.. My major concern was regarding the match of patients. The authors were still reluctant to include matching controls. However they clearly stated their short come in the revised version. The manuscript would have been more convincing when showing actual data than calculations. There are even in the revision (the few sentences altered) small typing errors. There was no new letter for their response, at least I could not find one. To me this is an editorial decision, the paper has improved during the revision process.

Sincerely Herbert Stangl
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