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Dear Madam/Sir,

Thank you for the suggestions.

1. Please ensure that the trial registration number for your study is included as the final line of your abstract.

   • We included trial registration number for our study at the final line of our abstract (page 2).

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