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Dear editor,

In response to your email d.d. June 12th, 2017, we revised the manuscript and incorporated the suggestions made.

Underneath, we provide an overview of all adjustments made:

1. Based on the crossref report, we have revised the whole manuscript and rephrased the sections in order to minimize overlap;

2. The CONSORT guidelines were removed from the Supplementary Material attached to the submission. We added a section on the use of the CONSORT guidelines in the Methods sections;

3. All supplementary files are cited in the text;

4. We have deleted the Supplementary Information section from the manuscript and amended it to the additional files. We have also added the file name, title of data and description of the data for the supporting files. The figure legend and tables remained the same.

5. Ellen Deschepper does qualify for authorship, since she made substantial contribution to the analysis and interpretation of the data, was involved in critically revising the manuscript,
gave final approval and agreed to be accountable for all aspects of the work. I have described her contribution in more detail in the authors contribution section;

6. I have uploaded a single, final, clean version of the manuscript.

We hope these adaptations will facilitate the swift publication of our manuscript.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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