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Reviewer's report:

I understand the focus of this manuscript is on the exposure of alcohol and BMI on breast cancer risk and other exposures were included in the model as confounders. However, the authors should make a statement on how the age at first birth was handled when both the parity and age at first birth were modelled together.

Authors’ response: We added the following sentence in the methods.

"Age at the first birth was modeled using, for nulliparous women, zero and for parous women extracting the average age at the first birth from the age at the first birth."