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Ms. Cherry Battad  
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Re: Revisions to MS: 166839701173826 prior to editorial assessment

Dear Ms. Battad;

We appreciate your initial review of our manuscript (MS: 166839701173826). In response to your email of June 7th, we have revised the paper to address the initial concerns below:

1). Requesting Ethics statement.  
The original draft included an ethics statement, but we have added the specific Institutional Review Board identifying number and clarification that our protocol was in accordance to the Helsinki Declaration (see lines 135-6 on the clean copy, or lines 145-6 on the track changes document).

2) Please re-format your manuscript as a Research article. As it contains results, it does not qualify as a Study protocol.  
The article has been reformatted as a research article; this has required moving or retitling some sections, as well as changing the title of the paper itself. Moreover, since one of the authors devoted more time to these changes, the author order of authors 9 and 10 have been switched.

Thank you for your review and continued consideration of this manuscript.

Sincerely,

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