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Dear Mr Proel Vargas
Editor-in-Chief
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Re: Response to reviewer

Thank you for your email of 8 April 2015.

The above journal paper has now been revised as recommended. The reviewer’s comments has been addressed in the section below. Each point provides a brief description of the changes made in the text in accordance with the reviewer’s comments, as well as the page and line number where these changes can be located in the manuscript. The changes are highlighted in red in the manuscript.

If there are any further comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Associate Professor Sebely Pal
Reviewer 3 Comments

The authors have revised the manuscript well with the exception of a couple of minor essential revisions:

1. There are still minor grammatical errors. For example, line 191, "the" before using is unnecessary, line 193, a "study" may be missing before will.

   Thank you for drawing these minor grammatical errors to our attention. The word “the” before the word “using” in line 191 has now been removed (page 9, now line 192).

   The word “study” is not needed in line 193, however the entire sentence has been reworded slightly for clarity (page 9, line 193-196).

2. It's clear from the design that the aim of the study also included examination of the effect of the intervention in sustaining weight loss. However, this is not mentioned in the paragraph under "Aims of this study". Only weigh loss was mentioned. It may also be helpful for the authors to link the aims to the hypotheses better.

   Thank you for pointing out this oversight. Point i) under the heading “Aims of this study” has been reworded to better reflect our intention of assessing sustainable weight loss in this study, in accordance with the study hypotheses (page 6, line 114).