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Title: Parental attitudes towards male human papillomavirus vaccination: a pan-European cross-sectional survey

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Dear Natalie Pafitis

Thank you for your latest email. We have responded to your comments in a revised manuscript. Please find our point-by-point response below:

1. Before we proceed with your manuscript in BMC Public Health, we ask that you state within your article that ethical approval was not required (as this was considered market research) and to detail the relevant legislation.

We have inserted the references (27-32) in the text pp 7, end of first paragraph.

2. Please also provide details within your manuscript of how participants were identified and recruited to the study.

This information was included in a former version of the manuscript, but must have been deleted somewhere along the way. We have inserted the following again, on pp 7, first paragraph: “In France, the sample was then randomly extracted from purchased Yellow Pages files. In the UK, sample recruitment used 50% omnibus and 50% White Pages. In Germany and Italy, respondents were recruited by interviewers going door-to-door, and interviews conducted in respondents’ homes. All interviews continued until the quotas on sons’ age and geographical dispersion were reached”.

We hope that these corrections meet your requirements and will be looking forward to hearing from you again.

Kind regards
Gitte Lee Mortensen