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Dear Editor,

Please see attached the changes on line 279 under Declarations from not applicable to the addition on lines 280-284: The research would be considered exempt based on the American Association for Public Opinion Research policy category. Our respondents were active participants in that they opted-in to participate in the research based on their choice to continue from the screener to the survey. Moreover, our respondents were informed that their participation “gives you an opportunity to share your experiences when being diagnosed with PF”.

Thank you again for your kind consideration,

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