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Dear Editor,

Many thanks for the opportunity to revise the above manuscript. Please find attached the revised version of the above manuscript. The comments of reviewers have been carefully considered, and implemented as follows:

Editor's comments:

1. It has come to our attention that within your manuscript there is significant text overlap with other publications, particularly:

While we understand that you may wish to express some of the same ideas contained in these publications, please be aware that we cannot condone the use of text from previously published work. Please re-phrase this section in your own words to avoid direct overlap (please note, we cannot accept direct textual overlap with any previously published works even if the authors of the work are yourselves). Please be informed that we cannot proceed with handling your manuscript before this issue is resolved, and the sections of text in question have been reformulated.

ANSWER: We thank the Editor for his suggestion. Reformulated as required.

We thank the Editorial Board for having given us the opportunity to revise our manuscript. We appreciate yours and the reviewer’s comments. We hope that the additions have now improved the manuscript, and that it has now reached the standard necessary to be formally accepted for publication.

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