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There are just a few more language corrections to be done:

p2 l25: it has to be 'in a tertiary'
p2 l44: ';' needs to be deleted
p3 l27: i would replace 'initiated' by 'caused'
p3 l30: it should be 'but exceptionally also be between'
p4 l42: 'has' has to be replaced by 'have'
p5 l 8: 'in Sri Lanka' not 'of Sri Lanka'
p5 l10: i would replace 'carried out' by 'performed'
p6 l46: two sentences would be more appropriate -> '...of tested patients. Furthermore ICBS includes....'
p7 l1/l3: it should be 'lower' instead of 'low'
p13 table 1/2: p-phenylenediamine and 2-mercaptobenzothiazole should be written with small letters

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