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We thank the Editor and Reviewers for their revision of our manuscript that helps us improve it. The following is a point by point response to their comments.

1. Please include an "Abbreviations" section to the Declarations.

If abbreviations are used in the text they should be defined in the text at first use, and a list of abbreviations should be provided in the Declarations.

• Our response: The abbreviations were already defined in the text. We included a list of abbreviations in p17, line 357-361.

2. Please provide clarification on whether verbal or written consent was obtained from participants.

• Our response: We obtained written consent. We added this in p8, line 148-149. The statement originally said “…were asked to read and sign.” We added afterwards “in writing”.

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• Our response: We uploaded 3 files: (1) the manuscript, (2) the figures and (3) supplementary file (DAG code). All were not tracked for changes, highlighted or otherwise marked.