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The following changes have been made to the manuscript as requested:

1. Line numbers have been added to the pages and we have checked that there are no page breaks.

2. Competing Interests – we have added a 'Competing interests' section between the Conclusions and Authors' contributions.

3. An 'Abbreviations' section has been added.

4. A statement has been added to the methods section about informed consent.

5. A Figure Legends section has been added after the References section.

6. The tables have been added to the manuscript text after the references. The table title is above the table and the legend is below the table.