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Dear Mr. Recchioni,

Thank you for the additional comment on our manuscript. We have amended the manuscript and provided details below of how we addressed this feedback.

We appreciate your ongoing support with the submission of this project.

Sincerely,

Bryna Warshawsky
Editorial Comment: The reviewer has no additional comments, however we would like you to clarify the following sentence (lines 154-156):

'The previous article included one study that did not meet the inclusion criteria, omitted one estimate from an included study and included two estimates from populations that were also completely included in other estimates.'

Can you please clarify the meaning of the last part of the statement? I.e. 'included two estimates from populations that were also completely included in other estimates'

Author Response: We have clarified the sentence on page 7 lines 154 to 157 to read, “The previous article included one study that did not meet the inclusion criteria, omitted one estimate from an included study, and included two estimates from populations that were already included in other estimates (i.e., estimates from a subset of a population that were also captured in other included estimates).”

Editorial Comment: Could you please add text legends for the additional files, in the main manuscript and under the legends for the main figures? That is, adding brief details of for each of the supplementary files on page 26.

Author Response: We have added text descriptions of the supplementary materials to the main manuscript document at the end of pg. 26. Additionally, we have added the text descriptions to the main figures (Figures 2 to 10; Figure 1 already included the title in the uploaded PDF).