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Dear Lin (and Anna),

We are absolutely delighted that our paper is now provisionally accepted with BMC Medicine, pending technical amendments. We are resubmitting our paper with these amendments made.

We have had a huge amount of interest in the work from tobacco control policy makers and practitioners so are hopeful that it will positively influence policy and health. With this in mind, we realised that we had not included mention of the findings on “light” smoking – requested by your reviewers- in the abstract. Since this is a key area of research and policy interest, we have
now added these in the submitted version. We have also made some very minor tweaks to the methods section to ensure it accurately reflects the updated analyses requested by the reviewers.

Please let me know if there is anything you would like to discuss. Looking forward to the next stage.

Best wishes and thanks,

Emily