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Title: A randomised controlled trial investigating the effects of Mediterranean diet and aerobic exercise on cognition in cognitively healthy older people living independently within aged care facilities: the Lifestyle Intervention in Independent Living Aged Care (LIILAC) study protocol

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Rovien Reyes

Editorial Team,

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Dear Rovien,

The prompt feedback on our submission is much appreciated. Where possible, the requested structural changes have been made. However, as this is an article about the protocol for our study, it is not possible include a results or discussion section in either the abstract or the main body of the article. Given the limitations of a protocol article, we have modelled our submission on the following protocol article which was previously published in this journal; however we are happy to make any other changes that you may deem necessary to fulfil the journal requirements.


As per the other structural issues with the submission, the following changes have been made:

1. Title page separated from abstract page, with title and other required details on page 1 and abstract on page 2.
2. Protocol number has been removed from the title and placed in the abstract.
3. Citation has been removed from abstract.
4. ‘Objective’ has been renamed ‘Conclusion’ in the abstract.
5. Trial registration details have been added to abstract and abstract has been slightly modified to remain within the 350 word limit.
6. Competing interest, author’s contribution and acknowledgements sections placed in required order.
7. Figure added after references (also previously submitted as separate file).

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to a decision on our manuscript in due course.

Yours sincerely,

Greg Kennedy