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Thank you for the feedback and the opportunity to resubmit our protocol entitled “CHALLENGES OF RAPID REVIEWS FOR DIAGNOSTIC TEST ACCURACY QUESTIONS: A PROTOCOL FOR AN INTERNATIONAL SURVEY AND EXPERT CONSULTATION”. We have followed your last suggestions in order to have a clearer manuscript. We have described the changes made below this letter. We hope these changes adequately address your plan of action for publication.

On behalf of all authors,
Reviewer #1: Thank you for taking on board all of the comments made by the reviewers. I believe that this has greatly improved your manuscript. In particular I believe that an independent researcher could now undertake the study as described in the protocol. I have no further comments.

Reply: Thanks for your comments and suggestions. All them were very helpful.

Associate Editor:

P.7, line 174 mentions 'purposive sampling'. Ref. 27 is about 'purposeful sampling'. Do the authors mean purposeful sampling as in Ref 27? Then please change 'purposive' to 'purposeful' to avoid confusion.

Reply: The term was changed as requested.

P. 8, line 192: Reference 20 seems to be misplaced. Please update the reference.

Reply: The reference was updated as requested.

Please provide references for STATA and Atlas Ti software, at least a link to a website

Reply: We added link to both websites