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Summarize the rationale and purpose of the study within a maximum of 750 words, giving only pertinent references. Clearly state the aim of the research as well as a working (null) hypothesis.

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Present materials and methods in sufficient detail to allow confirmation of the observations. For clinical research, add detailed information on the ethical committee approval, including the reference number/ code. Published methods should be referenced and discussed only briefly, unless modifications have been made. Indicate in detail the statistical methods used, if applicable.

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Introduce the discussion with a paragraph summarizing the main research findings, referring to the acceptance/rejection of the (null) hypothesis. Emphasize new and important aspects of the study and the conclusions that follow from them. Do not repeat in detail data or other material given in the Introduction or Results section. Relate observations to other relevant studies; cite recent research; point out the implications of the findings and their limitations. The maximum word count for this section is 1,250 words.

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