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Thank you,

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Dear Co-authors,

Thank you all for your valuable feedback; we hope you find the manuscript much improved. We are happy to provide a final draft of the manuscript, "Whole Genome Sequencing Analysis of Body Mass Index Identifies Novel African Ancestry-Specific Risk Allele". This manuscript has been presented to the Adiposity-Anthropometry Working Group for approval and following the tasks listed below will be submitted to TOPMed for approval.

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