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Giuseppe Mancia, MD PhD  
Editor-in-Chief   
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Dear Dr. Mancia,

On behalf of my co-authors, I would like to submit our revised manuscript entitled “Predicted cardiovascular risk for US adults with diabetes, chronic kidney disease, and ≥65 years of age overall and with stage 1 hypertension” for consideration as an Original Investigation in ***Journal of Hypertension***. We are grateful for the opportunity to respond to our two reviewers. Enclosed, please find our updated manuscript along with a point-by-point response to the reviewer’s comments.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or correspondence on this manuscript.

Sincerely,

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