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Ya-Juan Ma  
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Dear Ya-Juan Ma,

Thank you for the opportunity to revise our submission for publication. We have reviewed the reviewer and editorial comments and have made the requested changes. Namely we have:

1. Updated the title to be more succinct: *Diagnosing Gastrointestinal Illnesses Using Fecal Headspace Volatile Organic Compounds*
2. Language editing has been performed by Mayo Clinic Publications, edits have been tracked throughout the revised manuscript for comparison with initial submission
3. As requested we have provided the following as file attachments:

- 1 22053-Revised manuscript
- 2 22053-Answering reviewers
- 3 22053-Copyright assignment
- 4 22053-Audio core tip
- 5 22053-Conflict-of-interest statement
- 6 22053-Google Scholar
- 7 22053-CrossCheck
- 8 22053-Language certificate

We look forward to a positive and expeditious review and publication of these revisions.

Sincerely,



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