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The reviewer recommends that (1) apparent typographical errors in the manuscript be fixed, (2) consider the statistical methods in order to include corrections for multiple independent analyses (Bonferroni correction), (3) add information regarding the enrollment of pediatric patients and especially controls, and (4) include a table with characteristics that might represent confounding factors that might raise the levels of inflammatory cytokines in a participants (recent acute illness, chronic illness, BMI, and exc.).