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**Title: Rationale, design and baseline patient characteristics of the OPTIMISE study in Greece**

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of the Editor:

- 1] The revised manuscript has been provided in Word format as requested
- 2] All changes have been highlighted in the revised manuscript
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- 4] The Title includes 12 words in the revised manuscript
- 5] A running title of 6 words has been provided as requested
- 6] A detailed address has been provided
- 7] The Abstract has been formatted according to your suggestions
- 8] A Core Tip has been provided in the revised text

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