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Dear Dr. Ma and Reviewers,

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This study, entitled “A Pharmacoepidemiologic Study of the Association between Apparent Treatment Resistant Hypertension and Risk of Cardiovascular Disease, and the Interaction Effect by Sex and Age”, **is a secondary data analysis project using data (ALLHAT) obtained from the US National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute. (ALLHAT: Antihypertensive and Lipid-Lowering Treatment to Prevent Heart Attack Trial).**

This ALLHAT data is de-identified and publicly available for investigators to obtain through an IRB application process. Signed Informed Consent Forms are unavailable for the investigators conducting a secondary data analysis project. Our study has been approved by Drexel University Institutional Review Board (# 1608004781, Principal Investigator: Longjian Liu).

If you have any questions, please let me know. Thank you.

Best wishes,

Yours Sincerely,

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