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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 87551).

Title: Prevalence and features of SARS-CoV-2 infection in prisons in Tuscany

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The manuscript has been improved according to the reviewers' suggestions:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revised in accordance with reviewers' suggestions

- (1) This study aimed to evaluate the epidemiology of SARS-CoV-2 infection in prison. The study is interesting and the statistical methods are correct. However, the groups and inclusion criteria are not stated clearly in the method section.

Following the reviewers' suggestions, we have clearly stated the groups and inclusion criteria in the methods section.

- (2) The results should be discussed to compare them with other similar works and establish its advantages and limitations.

We have discussed the results, comparing them with other similar work and identifying their advantages and limitations.

- (3) Before final acceptance, uniform presentation should be used for figures showing the

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Tables and figures have been revised. The figures are original.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Experimental Medicine*

Sincerely,

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