

Submission of Authorship Change Form and Final Files – Submission ID: 014458b6-4f44-4486-9aaef2c94c56

Dear Ms. Vaishnavi Patole,

On behalf of all authors, we would like to sincerely thank you, the handling Editor, and Reviewer 1 for your careful evaluation of our manuscript entitled "**Smoking-Related Knowledge, Attitudes, and Beliefs Regarding Cardiovascular and Respiratory Harms Among Health Sciences Students Who Currently Smoke in Saudi Universities**" (Submission ID: **014458b6-4f44-4486-9b1e-9aaef2c94c56**).

We are grateful for the positive assessment of our manuscript and are pleased that the reviewer confirmed that all concerns had been adequately addressed. We also appreciate the editorial decision indicating that the manuscript is acceptable in principle for publication.

In response to the editorial request, we confirm that **no modifications have been made to the manuscript**. The revised version that was previously reviewed and accepted by the reviewer has been resubmitted without any changes, in accordance with the editorial instructions that no additional revisions should be made.

Regarding the requested **Change of Authorship Form**, we previously submitted the completed and signed form by email to the journal. For completeness and convenience, we are submitting the signed authorship change form again by email and have also uploaded it as a supplementary file with this submission. The reason for the authorship change has been fully explained in the completed form, and all authors have reviewed and approved the change by providing their signatures.

The following files are included with this submission:

- The final revised manuscript (unchanged from the version accepted by the reviewer).
- A clean manuscript file (without tracked changes or highlighting).
- The completed and signed Change of Authorship Form (uploaded as a supplementary file and resubmitted by email).

We sincerely appreciate the time, effort, and valuable support provided by the Editor and reviewers throughout the peer-review process. We hope that the submitted documents satisfy the remaining editorial requirements and kindly request final acceptance of our manuscript for publication in *Scientific Reports*.

Thank you again for your consideration. We look forward to your favorable response.

Sincerely,

Khaled M. Al-Sayaghi, PhD, RN  
On behalf of all authors

# Response to the Editor

**Manuscript Title:** *Smoking-Related Knowledge, Attitudes, and Beliefs Regarding Cardiovascular and Respiratory Harms Among Health Sciences Students Who Currently Smoke in Saudi Universities*

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On behalf of all authors, we sincerely thank you and the reviewer for the careful evaluation of our manuscript and for the positive recommendation. We greatly appreciate the time and effort invested in reviewing our work and are delighted that the reviewer confirmed that all previous comments had been adequately addressed and that the manuscript is acceptable in principle for publication.

Below, we provide our response to the editorial request.

| Editor's Comment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Authors' Response                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| <b>1. We have noticed that there has been a change to your author list (e.g. a change in author order, addition/deletion of author(s) or a change in corresponding author). Please complete the Change of Authorship Request Form, ensure that all authors have signed the form, and return it by email.</b> | <b>Completed.</b> The Change of Authorship Request Form was previously submitted to the journal by email. For completeness, we have resubmitted the completed and signed form by email and have also uploaded it as a supplementary file with this submission. The reason for the authorship change has been fully explained in the form, and all authors have reviewed, approved, and signed the document. |
| <b>2. Kindly do not make any other changes in the manuscript apart from the above point.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>Completed.</b> No changes have been made to the manuscript. The revised version that was previously evaluated and accepted by the reviewer has been resubmitted unchanged, in accordance with the editorial instructions. A clean manuscript file has also been uploaded for production purposes.                                                                                                        |

Once again, we sincerely thank you, the reviewer, and the editorial team for your constructive comments, professional handling of our manuscript, and the opportunity to publish our work in *Scientific Reports*. We hope that the submitted documents fulfill the remaining administrative requirements, and we respectfully look forward to the final acceptance and publication of our manuscript.

Sincerely,

**Khaled M. Al-Sayaghi, PhD, RN**  
**On behalf of all authors**