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Dear Dr Burdge

# RE: STATEMENT OF ACCEPTANCE OF CONDITIONS FOR “THE EFFECTIVENESS OF PROBIOTICS ON LENGTH OF ILLNESS IN HEALTHY CHILDREN AND ADULTS WHO DEVELOP COMMON ACUTE RESPIRATORY INFECTIOUS CONDITIONS: A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW AND META-ANALYSIS”

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