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Our thanks for the supportive comments. We hope the test will prove useful. With respect to the specific comments: (1) we apologise for some remaining typos in places and will tidy this up in the final version, (2) we will clarify the randomisation specifics along the lines suggested, (3) the reference to m in Figure 1 will be incorporated as suggested.

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