

**RESPONSE TO THE  
REVIEWERSCOMMENTS/MODIFICATIONS**



January 10, 2014

Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: ESPS 5929-Review.doc).

**Title:** Role of Dental Plaque, Saliva and Periodontal Disease in Helicobacter pylori Infection

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**Name of Journal:** World Journal of Gastroenterology

**ESPS Manuscript NO:** 5929

The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of the Esteemed Reviewers.

1. Format has been updated

2. The following revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

Answers to Reviewer 1.

1. Comment 1-The language editing has been done by American Journal experts. The certificate is attached.
2. Comments 2, 3, and 5- The text has been arranged in several sections (with separate sub-headings and tables). The findings from the articles reviewed under each sub-heading are given in detail in the tables for each section. The findings and their significance are discussed in the text.
3. Comment 4-References are rearranged in the text as per the format of the World Journal of Gastroenterology.

Answers to Reviewer 2.

1. The tables are rearranged after removing the articles published before 2000.
2. The tables rearranged as per the suggestion of the Esteemed Reviewer such that information pertaining to one form of diagnostic testing is grouped together.

Answers to Reviewer 3.

1. Description regarding coccoid form of H. pylori is included in the introduction and in paragraph 5 of the section "**Presence of H. pylori in dental plaque**".
2. The two references mentioned (Takeuchi T, Umegaki E, Takeuchi N, Yoda Y,

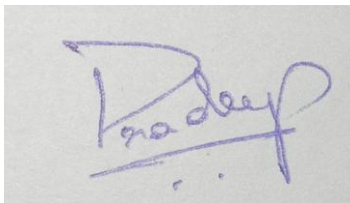
Kojima Y, Tokioka S, Higuchi K. Strategies for peptic ulcer healing after 1 week proton pump inhibitor-based triple Helicobacter pylori eradication therapy in Japanese patients: differences of gastric ulcers and duodenal ulcers. J Clin Biochem Nutr. 2012 Nov;51(3):189-95.-Reference No: 14

Handa O, Naito Y, Yoshikawa T. Redox biology and gastric carcinogenesis: the role of Helicobacter pylori. Redox Rep. 2011;16(1):1-7.-Reference No: 6) are included in the manuscript.

3.References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the World Journal of Gastroenterology.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pradeep". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

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