

Response to Reviewer Comments
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All changes are highlighted in yellow text in the revised manuscript.

Comments by Reviewer and Editor are shown first, followed by our Response to each.

COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This a well-conducted and well-written systematic review of the current scientific evidence of the protection afforded by early infant male circumcision against infections and other adverse medical conditions. I have only a few minor comments:

AUTHORS' RESPONSE: We thank the Reviewer for these positive comments on our manuscript.

Suggest changing USA to Us throughout.

AUTHORS' RESPONSE: We have now performed this change throughout the manuscript.

p3 Core tip - insert 'of'. Our systematic review of... p8

AUTHORS' RESPONSE: We have now inserted 'of' where requested.

Last paragraph, 2nd sentence - '...increased in... (not is).

AUTHORS' RESPONSE: We have now change 'is' to 'in'

p10 Give a brief explanation of UTI and phimosis (as you do with paraphimosis)

AUTHORS' RESPONSE: We have now given a brief description of phimosis by stating at the beginning of this section: 'Phimosis is a penile condition where the foreskin cannot be fully retracted over the glans penis.'

p10 References [33-46] and [47] - format different from the rest.

AUTHORS' RESPONSE: We have now correctly formatted the references in line with the style used by World Journal of Clinical Pediatrics. This now includes inclusion of PMID and DOI numbers in accord with the Instructions.

pages 11,12 and Table 1, give full form of approx.

AUTHORS' RESPONSE: We have now expanded 'approx.' to 'approximately' throughout.

p16 i.e., 6% - missing a point after e

AUTHORS' RESPONSE: We have now added '.' After 'i.e'

Other minor changes have been made during revision to improve the accuracy of the manuscript, as recommended in the Guidelines and Requirements for Revision document supplied.

EDITOR'S SUGGESTIONS IN TRACK CHANGES TO EDITED MANUSCRIPT:

We have noted the suggestions by the Editor in track changes and have made the changes in accordance with these. This includes changing 1, ii, iii, iv, v and vi to 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, as well as ensuring that the names of all authors are included in the References, as well as inserting the PMID and DOI numbers for all references when these applied.