

ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 13082-review.doc).



Title: High-Level Disinfection of Gastrointestinal Endoscope Reprocessing

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

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- a. in Page 4, the last sentence "Herein, present..... and so on" have been re-write "Herein, we would like to share with our years of experience on the surveillance of the culture monitoring of endoscopic reprocessing in our GI endoscope unit, particularly the detail process of the disinfection procedure of the GI endoscopes"
- b. in Page 16, "colonendoscope" have been changed to " colonoscope".

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- a. if enzymatic detergent solution is enough to disinfect human immunodeficiency virus (page 8). It is supported by the references such as "Immersion in enzymatic detergent solution for longer than 20 minutes is recommended if there is suspicion of highly infectious cases such as tuberculosis or human immunodeficiency virus [4, 16]."
- b. English version of IRB may be submitted.
The IRB have been summitted with a PDF format.

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- a. In terms of summarizing guidelines..... have been change to "In summarizing guidelines"
- b. Strict adherence to current guidelines are.....have been change to "Strict adherence to current guidelines is for decontamination of equipment"
- c. when decontaminating endoscopes (repeated words) a number of cases in the literature of outbreaks are still reported.....have been rewrite as "GI endoscopes are complex reusable instruments, and according to the British Society of Gastroenterology Guidelines (February 2008) for decontamination of equipment used for GI endoscopy, a special care must be taken when endoscopes disinfection [1]. Stringent procedures to ensure infection prevention and control in the delivery of safe GI endoscopy services are essential."
- d. Herein, present our years of experience on the..... Herein, we present our years of experience on the "and particularly the past, present and future direction introduce endoscopic room to work, and so on"have been re-write as "Herein, we would like to share with our years of experience on the surveillance of the culture monitoring of endoscopic reprocessing in our GI endoscope unit, particularly the detail process of the disinfection procedure of the GI endoscopes".

- e. The abstract have been re-write.
- f. The body of the manuscript also been re-write.

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3 References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Experimental Medicine*

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "King-Wah Chiu".

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