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Dear Editor,

The manuscript in Word format is already in your possession and remains unchanged.

**Title:** STEROID ULCERS: ANY NEWS? (Editorial)

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The manuscript cannot be changed according to the suggestions of the reviewer:

*I believe the manuscript offers important points to the existing literature and aspires to initiate studies on steroid induced ulcer disease. However, I feel that the hypothesis cannot be substantiated adequately with only 1312 words. I would like to see more than 2500 words with more examples and references.*

Much as I would like to comply with the reviewer's observations, unfortunately - as I have explained in my Editorial - the literature on the subject of steroid ulcers is very limited, and mostly rather old. There is absolutely nothing more I can add about it, thus the request to increase the word count to 2500 words is not feasible. Moreover, there are not further references to quote in addition to the ones I have already included as a quick search in PubMed or in other medical search motors can easily prove.

Thus, I'm afraid this is a matter of "either accept the paper as it is or reject it".

.2 References and typesetting were double-checked.

Sincerely yours

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