

Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript entitled "ASSESSMENT OF PLATELET FUNCTION: LABORATORY AND POINT-OF-CARE METHODS", (8694-revised.doc) submitted to World Journal of Translational Medicine. The manuscript has been revised according to the suggestions of the reviewers.

Different corrections have been done spot by spot and new paragraphs and quotations have been added. In the new revised draft the reference numbering has been updated.

The answers to comments and suggestions of reviewers are below reported.

We hope that the indications of referees have improved this review doing it suitable for publication in WJTM.

Title: Assessment of Platelet Function: Laboratory and Point-of-Care Methods

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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

(1) Answer to comments of referee n. 02458824.

Thank you for your kind comment. The list of references has been implemented according to suggestions of other reviewers.

Words, sentences, paragraph, quotations and tables added in the new revised draft are yellow highlighted.

(2) Answer to suggestions of referee n. 02445848.

Thank you for your nice comment. Your revision has been complied point by point.

Words, sentences, paragraph, quotations and tables added in the new revised draft are yellow highlighted. The following page and line numbers are referred to new draft.

- 1) Table 1 is improved with the addition of a column indicating the applications of the methods
- 2) Page 4, lines 16 and 17 - the phrase was corrected and completed.
- 3) Page 4, line 18 - "platelets": proofread
- 4) Page 4, line 19 - "result" : proofread
- 5) Page 5, line 1 - "a useful" : in this case the sound of initial "u" in "useful" is "yu": it begins with a "y" sound, considered a consonant
- 6) Page 5, line 8 - "as well as" : inserted
- 7) Page 5, lines 24-27 - "In table 1...": the phrase has been corrected and extended.
- 8) Page 10, line 3 - "bind" : inserted
- 9) Page 10, lines 29-30 - "Different reports elucidated": the phrase has been corrected
- 10) Page 11, line 1 - "Flow cytometry (FC) platelet analysis": corrected
- 11) Page 11, line 7 - "allows": changed

- 12) Page 11, line 13 – please, see point 5
- 13) Page 11, line 19 – “antibodies may be” : corrected
- 14) Page 11, line 21 – “secondary” : added
- 15) Page 12, line 11 – “clot” instead of plug
- 16) Page 13, lines 29-32 – sentence has been rewritten
- 17) Page 15, line 10 – “conducted” : corrected
- 18) Page 16, lines 5-6 – “Studies should be ...” : sentence has been changed.

(3) Answer to suggestions of referee n. 02446592.

Thank you for your kind comment. Your revision has been complied point by point.

Added words, sentences, paragraph, quotations and tables in the new revised draft are yellow highlighted. Page and line numbers are referred to new draft.

- 1) Pages 36, 37 -Table 2 (advantage and disadvantages of each platelet function test) has been added as suggested
- 2) Page 14, lines 16-22 - Plateletworks method is now fairly corrected
- 3) Page 7, lines 4-31 and page 8, lines 1-3 - LTA new instructions have been reported more extensively (recommendation based on quotation n. 37)
- 4) Page 18, lines 7-24 – Platelet- derived SDF-1 has been reviewed in separate sub-paragraph entitled “New potential biomarkers of platelet activation” inserted in the new paragraph entitled “Future perspectives”
- 5) Page 38 -Table 3 (clinical value of principal platelet function test) has been added as suggested
- 6) Page 17, lines 1-32 and page 18, lines 1-24 - The paragraph entitled “Future perspectives” has been added as your suggestions.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

Sincerely yours,



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