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Dear Editor,



Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: Edited 12354.doc).

**Title:** Treatment of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* infections. Importance of high vancomycin minimum inhibitory concentrations.

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

1. Format has been updated following the WJCID policies, including references and figures included.
2. Revision has been made according to the reviewer's suggestions as follows.
  - a. We have thoroughly revised all the English language possible flaws and corrected them. We have also changed the order of some paragraphs and modified some sections, in order to make the article more consistent. As required, we also restructured sentences that were clearly too long and modified punctuation throughout the text. (1 and 3).
  - b. We have included 3 tables. The first table shows the different vancomycin minimum inhibitory concentration cut-off values, according to European committee and CLSI. The second table is a list of infection control recommendations for patients with *S. aureus* infection with reduced vancomycin susceptibility. The third and last table is a summary of treatment recommendations and different specific issues associated to the use of each antibiotic for MRSA with high vancomycin MIC. (2)
  - c. We have updated reference for incidence of MRSA in Intensive Care Units in the United States and other epidemiological information.
  - d. We have modified the end of the section: "*Staphylococcus aureus*, an evolving agent", and now merges better with the rest of the document.
  - e. Transition into the section "Role of vancomycin in MRSA" has improved with all the modifications previously described.
  - f. We have modified our reference citations as requested in WJCID format.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Clinical Infectious Diseases*.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'AJM', written over a light grey rectangular background.

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