

Dear editor,

Thank you for your kind reply, and for the reviewers' comments. We have revised the manuscript, accordingly. Our point to point response is provided. The responses are noted in **RED**.

Response to reviewer 1

1. The manuscript seems to have a high priority for publication.

R: We greatly appreciate your observation.

Response to reviewer 2

The manuscript aimed to compare hybrid therapy with traditional sequential therapy and concomitant therapy against H. pylori infection in a meta-analytic approach. The present manuscript included 5 additional studies published in 2015 and therefore seems to strengthen the outcomes of previous meta-analyses. The manuscript seems to have a high priority for publication. Minor UBT is 13C-urea breath test?

R: It is gratifying that our meta-analysis is acceptable for high-priority publication. In our manuscript, UBT indicates 13C-urea breath test and is mentioned under the *Inclusion Criteria*. We have marked the changes in "RED" in the revised manuscript.