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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: ESPS Manuscript NO: 8456-edited).

Title: Low Grade Dysplasia in Barrett's esophagus: should we worry?

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

1. Revisions have been made according to the suggestions of the reviewers (00035809 & 00068472):

For the purpose of clarification, all changes to the main body of the text are in red.

The use of tissue biomarkers has been described in detail within the main text and as suggested a table summarizing this has also been included. The use of PPI therapy and various chemoprevention strategies has also been discussed.

We agree wholeheartedly that prospective data is urgently required regarding the long-term durability of ablative therapy, and a statement in the revised manuscript reflects this.

As per Reviewer 0035809 we have included the references in the appropriate sections as suggested. We thank the Reviewer for these references as they only go onto strengthen the manuscript. We have also discussed the concept of confocal laser microendoscopy and the durability of ablative therapy in conjunction with anti-reflux surgery (& limitations).

As suggested by both Reviewers, the concept of discontinuing surveillance following ablative therapy was erroneous and has been altered accordingly.

2. References have been corrected as per "*The format for topic highlight*", whereby a PMID and DOI number is provided.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Pathophysiology*

Kind Regards,

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vamshi P. Jagadesham', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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