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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 8606-review.doc).

**Title:** Esophageal dilations in eosinophilic esophagitis: A single center experience.

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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) Page 12 "Pr " changed to PR.

(2) The discussion section was modified. See revised version (in blue/bold)

(3) Symptoms at presentation not highlighted -

Symptoms at presentation were added to Table 1, see groups comparison. Page 22

(4) What proportion of cases in the literature present with dysphagia requiring endoscopic dilatation?

Dilations in EoE patients with dysphagia were reported in 27-30% of all EoE cases based on two large series. See discussion page 10

(5) How to have an index of suspicion about this possibility while evaluating a case?

Added in discussion a list of EoE symptoms that should raise a concern about the possibility of EoE. Page 10-11

(6) Comparative literature from Europe, China, Japan, South East Asia needs to be addressed.

Available literature suggests that EoE has been seen at lower rates in Middle East, China and Japan,

however only a few studies in English literature addressed this issue. See references 26-27

An incidence of EoE in Brazil and Turkey and Europe is similar to US and Canada. See discussion page 10

(7) References were updated and added as per request re: brief article

(8) A photo of EoE pathology was added page 7 (text)

(9) Phone and fax numbers were corrected.

3 References and type setting were corrected.

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

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