

## Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

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

**Title:** Pediatric Primary Urolithiasis: Symptoms, Medical Management and Prevention Strategies

**Authors:** Maria Goretti Moreira Guimarães Penido MD PhD, and Marcelo de Sousa Tavares MD PhD,

**Name of Journal:** *World Journal of Nephrology*

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Dear Reviewers and Editor,

Thank you for your e-mail with the comments about the above manuscript. We carefully learned yours comments and our answers (Marked with an **R**) are detailed below. The changes in the edited manuscript are indicated in **bold** and in **red**. The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

### **Reviewer: 1**

The Article Pediatric primary urolithiasis: symptoms, management and prevention strategies by Maria Goretti Moreira Guimarães Penido is according to my opinion, acceptable for publication but after minor revisions. This article is interesting for persons involved in the field of the pediatric urolithiasis. In the text there is need for some minor revisions

### Comments to the Author

1. In the section Management of acute pediatric UL authors stated: Therapeutic options for stones that do not progress include: ESWL, endoscopic lithotripsy with ultrasound, and percutaneous nephrolithotomy and open pyelolithotomy. It is correct statement but today there is some new approaches (laparoscopy) and new technology possibilities and since this is an review article it will be worthwhile to mentioned it. Also except ultrasound other different lithotripsy techniques including pneumatic and laser lithotripsy are safe and affective and can be used in pediatric population (Long CJ, Srinivasan AK. Percutaneous nephrolithotomy and ureteroscopy in children: evolutions. Urol Clin North Am 2015;42:1-17.) as in adults.

**R:** We agree and modified the section accordingly recommendation (Section: Management of acute pediatric UL - Paragraph 8; in **bold and in red**). Also, we added the suggested reference: Reference 77: **Long CJ, Srinivasan AK. Percutaneous nephrolithotomy and ureteroscopy in**

children: evolutions. *Urol Clin North Am* 2015; **42**: 1-17 DOI: 10.1016/j.ucl.2014.09.002 PMID: 25455168

**77.** The text needed to be read again for some small corrections. For example abbreviations USG is not explained (probably ultrasonography), not phisical but physical.

**R:** We agree. We read again and corrected the mistakes. The abbreviation USG (ultrasonography) is already explained in the Introduction section, second paragraph and line 3.

## **Reviewer: 2**

This is a review article about [Pediatric Primary Urolithiasis: Symptoms, Management and Prevention Strategies] The article is well written and provides excellent information for nephrologists and urologists. Some points need to be clarified:

1. The review article focus entirely on medical management so the title should be changed to [Pediatric Primary Urolithiasis: Symptoms, Medical Management and Prevention Strategies]

**R:** We agree and we will change the title.

2. The authors stated indications for calculi removal in the proximal ureter include: calculi with a diameter > 5 mm and calculi with diameter > 7 mm in the distal ureter. What is the reference for these recommendations? Please mention it

**R:** We added the reference as requested. Reference 75 “Miller OF, Kane CJ. Time to stone passage for observed ureteral calculi: a guide for patient education. *J Urol* 1999; 162 (3 Pt 1): 688-690; discussion 690-691 PMID: 10458343

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

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