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## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

Name of journal: World Journal of Gastroenterology Manuscript NO: 90203

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	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Very good [ ] Grade C:
Scientific quality	Good
	[ ] Grade D: Fair [ ] Grade E: Do not publish
Novelty of this manuscript	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Good [ ] Grade C: Fair [ ] Grade D: No novelty
Creativity or innovation of this manuscript	<ul> <li>[ ] Grade A: Excellent [ ] Grade B: Good [ Y] Grade C: Fair</li> <li>[ ] Grade D: No creativity or innovation</li> </ul>



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Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [ ] Grade B: Good [Y] Grade C: Fair [ ] Grade D: No scientific significance
Language quality	[ ] Grade A: Priority publishing [Y] Grade B: Minor language polishing [ ] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [ ] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	<ul> <li>[ ] Accept (High priority)</li> <li>[ ] Accept (General priority)</li> <li>[ ] Minor revision</li> <li>[ Y] Major revision</li> <li>[ ] Rejection</li> </ul>
Re-review	[Y]Yes []No
Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: [Y] Anonymous [] Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: [] Yes [Y] No

## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The Letter to the Editor entitled: "Candida accommodates non-culturable Helicobacter pylori in its vacuoles" touches on a very interesting topic, which has been under debate. However, the letter is formulated in a confusing manner. Hence its not clear which points are the actual hard core experimental facts provided by Siavoshi et al., Alipour et al., or those of the authors, to vote for or against one of the sides of the argument. I therefore recommend that the authors create a tables with 3 specific columns, listing each of the mentioned pieces of the experimental evidence provided by the 3 mentioned research labs and end with a very clear calculation of the scientific weight of each column, leading to a firm conclusion. Thus to bring this argument to a scientific closure.