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**COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This is an exhaustive review of the literature relating to H pylori infection and gastric cancer and would be of value as a source of reference to both research workers and clinicians. The authors should modify the repeated statement the H pylori infection is "the MAIN cause" of gastric cancer as this is controversial. For instance there is no relationship geographically between the prevalence of H pylori infection and the prevalence of gastric cancer. It would be wiser to state instead that "H pylori infection is a major factor" in gastric cancer. On page 3, at the end of the Introduction, the words "responsible for 90% of all gastric cancer malignancies" needs changing to "being involved in 90% of gastric malignancies". In places the English idiom and grammar needs attention The use of the indefinite participle "a" and of the definite participle "the" is frequently omitted. There is no reference to the Figures in the text. Figure 1 does not fit in easily anywhere in the text. Figure 2 is hard to understand. Figure 3 could be fitted in to the text usefully.

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The paper from Ahn HJ and Lee DS titled "Helicobacter pylori in Gastric Carcinogenesis" is a well written and updated review in the field. My only comment is that within risk factors other than H. pylori infection involved in gastric cancer Authors mentioned only the host genetic factors but did not cite the environmental factors and the ancestral origin of the H. pylori strains which predispose to, or protect from, this outcome and furthermore interact with some pathogenic factors of the strain, e.g. CagA (Kodaman N, Pazos A, Schneider BG, Piazzuelo MB, Mera R, Sobota RS, et al. Human and Helicobacter pylori coevolution shapes the risk of gastric disease. Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 2014;111:1455-60). There are some misspellings in the text: Page 3: Helicobactor instead of Helicobacter Page 4: Gasric instead of Gastric Page 5: infecion instead of infection Page 9: Spanish instead of Spanish Page 14: clarithromycicn instead of clarithromycin Moreover, there are some misspellings also in the figures 2 and 3: Figure 2: prolifelation instead of proliferation Figure 3. N-bitroso carcinogens instead of N-nitroso carcinogens Figure 1. There is no sense to explain in the figure legend "From Torre LA et al, Global cancer statistics, 2012. CA Cancer J Clin 2015; 65: 87-108". It was requested permission to reproduce Figure 8 (Stomach Cancer Incidence Rates by Sex and



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World Area) of Torre LA et al paper? I suggest to modify the figure legend: Worldwide incidence rates of stomach cancer (This figure is reproduced with permission of the publisher).