Reviewer #1:

Specific Comments to Authors: Review comments WJG-89510, reviewer. It is my great honour and pleasure to review such an interesting manuscript. The authors tried to prove that a new perspective for exploring the significance of urinary metabolites in evaluating the treatment and prognosis of H. pylori-positive chronic gastritis patients. This is an experimental study by analyzing urinary metabolic profiles. There are some limitations in this study as below;

1. The sample size is small.

Response: Thank you for your comments. Although the number of samples in this study is small, this study showed that the removal of *Helicobacter pylori* significantly changed the urinary metabolites in *H. pylori*-positive chronic gastritis patients. Besides, this study is the first attempt to apply metabolomics to explore the urinary metabolic profiles during *H. pylori* eradication in chronic gastritis patients. This study proved that it is feasible to use metabolomics to explore the treatment engagement of *H. pylori*-positive chronic gastritis patients, and the next study should expand the sample size.

2. There is no control. This is important. The study design, In order to prove "Urinary metabolic profiles during Helicobacter pylori eradication in chronic gastritis", Helicobacter pylori positive/negative, chronic gastritis positive/negative and administration of eradication medicine positive/negative should be examined. Basically, this study will contribute a kind of frontier works. I respect authors' much labor. Unfortunately, there is no control groups.

Response: Thank you for your comments. In our study, there was a group named "Health" including 20 samples for health people without chronic gastritis, which is a control group. Besides, the described design of sample groups is very perfect, but due to the uncontrollability of clinical research, it is difficult to collect enough samples. However, this design is very suitable for animal experiments to verify clinical results.

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