

Author Response Letter

Dear Yuan Qi, Science Editor, Editorial Office of Baishideng Publishing Group Inc,

Thank you for the opportunity to consider our manuscript entitled “Microbiome and Pancreatic Cancer” for publication at World Journal of Gastroenterology. Please consider this author response letter to the comprehensive, thoughtful comments of your reviewers, addressed individually below.

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Reviewer #1 (02543990)

This review describes the relationships between microbiome and pancreatic cancer. The data in this report is of considerable importance in investigations for modifiable risk factors of pancreatic cancer. I would like to recommend that the authors explain their own data in detail. Also the authors should revise their tables so that it would be easier to understand.

Thank you, all tables were revised to include headings that lead every page break.

Reviewer #2 (03471272)

This is a very interesting and valuable manuscript. Minor comment: There are seen both ‘H pylori’ and ‘H. pylori’ as an abbreviation the word of ‘Helicobacter pylori’. The author should unify it in either.

Thank you, noted and unified to “H. pylori.”

Reviewer #3 (03262253)

In this review article, Ertz-Archambault reviewed the association of oral microbiome alterations and helicobacter pylori with pancreatic cancer. This is a very interesting topic; the literature information has been carefully collected, organized; and the significance of related studies has been logically discussed. Overall, this is a well-written review, which should help the readers to know and understand the current status of microbiome alterations with pancreatic cancer. A minor suggestion for authors is to include the study recently published in Gut (PMID 27742762) in revised submission.

Thank you, this recently published study added to Oral microbiome section in table 1 and summary and referenced appropriately.

Many thanks for your thoughtful consideration and review of our manuscript for publication to World Journal of Gastroenterology.

Respectfully,

Natalie Ertz-Archambault, MD on behalf of all authors.