

RESPONSE TO THE REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 6477-Review With Minor Revisions.doc).

Title: Esophageal Motility Abnormalities in Gastro-esophageal Reflux Disease

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) We thank the Reviewer for the positive comments on our manuscript. As suggested, further data in the last chapter dealing with treatment perspectives have been added, including something related with endoscopic procedures (Stretta, Esophix and Plication) and Linxx procedure. Moreover, the issue related to the relationship between symptoms generation/perception and motility abnormalities was also considered in the chapter entitled "DIFFERENCES IN MOTILITY ABNORMALITIES AMONG GERD SUBGROUPS". Finally, additional papers dealing with the post-surgical changes of esophageal motor parameters have been quoted

(2) We thank the Reviewer for the positive comments on our manuscript. As suggested, we clearly stated on the need of endoscopy in order to identify specific causes of motility disorders (i.e. diverticulum, mechanical obstruction, eosinophilic esophagitis) with related references. Moreover, additional data in the last chapter dealing with treatment perspectives (pharmacological vs. surgical and comparison of different surgical approaches) have been reported.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Pharmacology and Therapeutics*.

Sincerely yours,

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