

#### Response to Reviewer Comments:

Thank you for the positive reviews. Several words were changed in the manuscript to increase accuracy. The Oncotype DX tests 16 cancer genes not 15. And the meta-analysis study mentioned on page 7 was published in 2015, I am not sure when the work was done. Both these changes are marked. The figure is now more correctly called a table. Sites of changes should be marked by tracking in the word document.

#### Reviewer 00069481 Comments for ESPS Manuscript NO: 20938

This manuscript is well conducted and it helps to understand the impact of the determination of miRNA and mRNA expression profiles on the diagnosis and predicting treatment of oral squamous cell carcinoma at different stages. The quality of the work described is adequate to accept in the current format.

#### Reviewer 00742421 comments for ESPS Manuscript No: 20938

Well structured, nice methodology.