Author's response to reviews

Title: Clinical association between teeth malocclusions, wrong posture and ocular convergence disorders: an epidemiological investigation on primary school children.

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Answers to Reviewer Letizia Perillo

1) The English needs some minor revision: there are also typographical errors such as lack of space between words, and other punctuation marks.

We corrected the errors and the article it’s been corrected from a mother-tongue expert (Edanz Group Global Ltd).

2) I would change the title somewhat. For example CLINICAL ASSOCIATION BETWEEN TEETH MALOCCLUSIONS, WRONG POSTURE AND OCULAR CONVERGENCE DISORDERS: AN EPIDEMIOLOGICAL INVESTIGATION ON PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN

The title it’s been modified, according to your suggestion

3) In the reference list, some recent articles could be added:
   for example, in line 19 of INTRODUCTION, after reference no.8; in line 23 of INTRODUCTION, after “regulation of motor function.”
   • in line 31 of INTRODUCTION, after “has been amply demonstrated.”

The references you suggested are been added

4) Specific minor comment
   INTRODUCTION
   Pag 3
   Line 44: district for instance should be districts. For instance,
   Line 34: “fibres” should be “fibers”
   Pag 4
   Line 12: “reserch” should be “research”
   Line 17: “may be seen between them” should be “may seen among them”
   DISCUSSION
   Pag 9
   Line 10: “higer” should be “higher”

These mistakes are been corrected

5) Line 14-15: The initials of name and surname of the different operator could be Reported

We didn’t report the initials of any operator, because some of the operators are not Authors of this article.

6) REFERENCE
   Line 11: References in the text are not numeric but there is correspondence by references list-
In reference list there are some typographical errors and punctuation marks.

All references are been changed, checked and modified as request by BMC Pediatrics Instruction to Authors.

7) In reference n°8 is not “Biavati” but “Biasati AS” and “Clinic, 2010, vol6, no.7, p.689-695.” should be “Clinics, 2010;65(7): 689-95.”.

Now is reference N° 9: This is not an error: the surname “Biasati” is wrong; the correct surname is Silvestrini-Biavati. Clinics published in sep 2012 an Errata; here attached you will find this “Errata” from Clinics.

ANSWERS TO REVIEWER CARSTEN LIPPOLD

Thank you very much for your positive comments about this article.

1) One should discuss the limitations of cohort studies more detailed.

About cohort studies, we added more detailed considerations in the discussion.

2) The presented methods should be described more detailed or drawings or pictures should be added for better understanding.

In the Methods, the presented methods are been described, especially the orthoptic ones. Occusal examinations recorded the molar and canine relationships, dental and facial midline, overbite, transversal relationships (unilateral cross-bite has particular importance when causes mandibular shift, and consequent facial muscular imbalance), bad habits. Postural screening involved frontal and lateral inspection, investigation during trunk flexion and ambulation, and any asymmetry in the lower limbs.

3) The paper should be assessed by an english translational service provided to improve the style, grammar and language.

The article it’s been corrected by a mother-tongue expert. (Edanz Group Global Ltd)