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Dear Dr. Edoardo Savarino:

RE: MS: 1334941980892913  **Prevalence and risk factors of *Helicobacter Pylori* infection in Korea; Nationwide multicenter Study Over 13 Years**

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Thank you very much for acceptance of this article. Through revision, our article seemed to have improved the information communicability and clarity of content. As the editorial comment said to us “Please state the full name of the main Institutional Review Board that approved your study. If there was no lead institution involved in your study, please clearly state the name of all IRBs that approved your study.” and we changed the IRB mention as following (page 7, line 1-2nd from below): “**The protocol of this study was approved by the main Institutional Review Board of Seoul National University Hospital (IRB No. H-1011-038-339)**”. This change has been marked in **BOLD** in the revised manuscript to avoid any confusion.

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Sincerely,
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