Author's response to reviews

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Dear Dr Ojcius

RE: Manuscript: 9626089945154928

“Immunomodulatory factors in cervicovaginal secretions from pregnant and non-pregnant women: A cross-sectional study”

We thank the reviewers for their insightful comments on our above-noted manuscript. We have incorporated all their comments as outlined point by point below. These suggestions have strengthened our manuscript and we trust you will now find it suitable for publication.

Below are the comments from the reviews and our responses are italicized.

Sincerely,

Grace Aldrovandi MD CM for the authors

Reviewer #1 had no comments

Reviewer #2

I suggest that they add a sentence to the methods section describing that the non-pregnant women were not actively menstruating at the time of sample collection.

This has been added on page 5.

Because of the adjustment for multiple confounders, I think it is worth highlighting in each table which tests were considered significant. If the reader didn't catch the actual p value for significance following Bonferroni adjustment in the text, one might mis-interpret the findings in the tables.
We have added these p values to all the tables.