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Title: Human papillomavirus (HPV) genotype distribution in Madrid and correlation with cytological data

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Title page: Following the recommendation of reviewer 2 a statistical review has been done and a new author from the Biostatistics Unit has been added to the list of authors and affiliations.

Abstract: Cases who tested negative for HPV according to each diagnosis have been included to the manuscript (answering to referee 3), hence the total of cases analysed have been changed in methods and results.

Methods:

Specimen preparation: Now, the total of cases included is 2,461 (with HPV negatives) and the cytological diagnoses of all cases have been added to the manuscript (referee 3).

Statistical analysis: Logistic regression had not been included in the manuscript, only Chi-square test was used to evaluate association between genotype, lesion, and age. It has been corrected in the paper.

Results:

First paragraph: Specimens negative for HPV have been included to the manuscript (answering to referee 3); hence the total of cases has reached 2,461. A phrase with percentage of cases HPV positive in the different cytological diagnosis has been added (referee 1).

Two new tables have been inserted (Table 1 and table 4) to clarify the results. Table 1 and table 2 now are renamed to table 2, and table 3 respectively.

Discussion:

Phrase of co infection have been included in the discussion (last paragraph).

Author’s Contribution:

VA (as statistical reviewer) has been put in author’s contribution.

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