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Title: A prospective observational study of the prevalence and risk factors for colonization by antibiotic resistant bacteria in patients at admission to hospital in Singapore

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Dear Philippa,

Thank you for the email.

Changes to the manuscript have been made as requested:

1. Methods & Results: As “Community colonization” was analyzed in Results section, the definition of community colonization should be given in Methods.
   - Definition added to Methods ‘data analysis’ section

2. Results, “Community colonization”, second paragraph & Figure 1: The information provided in current Figure 1 was vague – accurate percentage of patients colonized (with CI) should be given in each subgroup with or without antibiotic use, as well as exact p value. Maybe it is better to use a table rather than a figure here.
   - Figure has been changed to a table as advised with odds ratios, confidence intervals and exact p values.

I hope these are acceptable, and look forward to hearing back from you.

Many thanks,

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