Author's response to reviews

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Dear Editors,

Thank you for the comments on our revised manuscript. One reviewer has made a couple of additional suggestions, to which we have responded below.

Yours sincerely,

Ben Adler
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Responses to reviewer’s comments

1) Title should be changed in relevance to the manuscript
We really would like to retain the current more simple title, with which neither of the other reviewers had any problem. However, as we stated previously, if the Editor insists we can change the title to “Leptospirosis in the Asia Pacific Region: surveillance, epidemiology and control”

2) The addition of photographs of some of the important epidemiological situations of leptospirosis in Asia Pacific region may be useful to understand the epidemiological situations. This may be related to transmission, occupational exposure etc.

As suggested, we have now included a figure which illustrates the epidemiology of leptospirosis.

Responses to editorial comments

Include a competing interests section between conclusions and authors’ contributions.
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