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To whom it may concern,

herewith I am sending you the latest version of the manuscript MS: 1341628070727951, entitled: “Human α-defensin (DEFA) gene expression helps to characterise benign and malignant salivary gland tumours.”.

Corrections in the manuscript text are highlighted in green, responses to the reviewers remarks are in red text colour in this letter.

Reviewer 2

Reviewer’s report:

The authors addressed most of the criticisms. I have only one discretionary comment: in most of English papers salivary gland types are indicated as parotid, submandibular, and sublingual glands.

As suggested, I changed the Latin into English terms
Editorial requests

Competing interests - Please include a 'Competing interests' section between the Conclusions and Authors' contributions. If there are none to declare, please write 'The authors declare that they have no competing interests'.

A “Competing interests” section was included as suggested.

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Thanks for your help – if anything is still missing, please let me know.

Yours sincerely

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