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Dear members of the BioMed Central Editorial Team,

Thank you very much for your efforts in processing of our manuscript.

Herewith allow me please to inform you that we fully agree with the comment by Prof. Nozawa concerning terminology (CINs - dysplasia) and are making corresponding revisions throughout the text. Our choice is CINs.

Starting with the bottom line on page 2 where we have first introduced this abbreviation "...cervical dysplasia (known also as cervical intraepithelial neoplasms, CINs)" we continue on page 3, 3-d line ("CIN III" instead of former "severe dysplasia"), in Conclusion, 3-d line ("all stages of CINs and carcinomas..."), on page 4, bottom line "... lesions regress and epithelial dysplasia (i.e. cervical intraepithelial neoplasms, CINs)...", on page 6, 2-d paragraph ("... 3) samples of CINs of various stages...") and so on. We would like to leave the heading "Dysplasia" in Table 1 (please see the left column) so far as it seems to be necessary here to unite all groups of CINs.

With hopes for future cooperation,

Yours respectfully,

Galina Volgareva