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RE: Changes in pharyngeal microflora in oral breathers after palatal rapid expansion

please find enclosed our revised and retyped manuscript following reviewer's advises, and the respective cover letter. Hoping that now the manuscript is adequate for the publication, best regards.

Prof. Giuseppina Campisi

After a more careful reviewing, as correctly requested by the referee, we made an revision of this paper, according to his/her suggestion. We detail our changes, as follows:

1) In the introduction it was introduced a thorough analysis of the role of anaerobic bacteria in the oral cavity and their importance in oral infections (dental and chronic ENT infections). As advised by the referee, the title has been modified in "Changes in pharyngeal anaerobic microflora in oral breathers after palatal rapid expansion"

2) The name of Maraxella was changed to Branemella

3) We also introduced a description of quantitative methodology employed to determine the density carriage.

4) The introduction was reduced for the part describing pathogenesis of each microorganism.

5) The study was also revised linguistically.