Author's response to reviews

Title: Vaginal douching by women with vulvo-vaginitis and relation to reproductive health hazards

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Reviewer response

Reviewer 1:
The findings from this study have potential to make a contribution to knowledge about women and health. Minor essential revisions must be made. After revision, re-read the paper. Revisions were specified following.

Page 1
• Suggested revised title: Vaginal douching among women with vulvo-vaginitis and reproductive health hazards
  The title has been changed to reflect the exact content of the work: Vaginal douching by women with vulvo-vaginitis and relation to reproductive health hazards
  Omar M. “Shaaban” first author’s surname must start with a capital letter.
  Done thank you
• “Key wards” misspelling, should be corrected as key words.
  Done thank u

Introduction:
• Page 2, line 17- when the first to be used PID must be the long spelling, the abbreviation (PID) be indicated in parentheses
• Only women with vulvo-vaginitis were selected to sampling of this study. Objectives and the title of this study should be revised according to this statement. Also, aim of abstract should be revised.
  The title has been revised to shows the exact contents, the aim of the work also modified, page 2, line 42.
• Page 3, line 10- “of” was repeated two times, one of them must deleted
  Done thank you, When parentheses are used, a space should be left between the parentheses with the word and in the article should be considered.
  Done and revised along the whole text, thank u

Material and methods:
• In material and method section must be specified the number of women admitted to the hospital between the dates of study, the number of women who do not agree to participate in the study and the number of women taken in sampling of the study.
  All these points were discussed in the first section of the results and elaborated in figure 1, I do think it fits better in the results

Results:
• Page 5, line 20- when the first to be used PTL must be the long spelling, the Abbreviation (PTL) be indicated in parentheses.
  Thank you all abbreviations had been long spelled in the whole text when first mentioned, PTL in specific spelled in the first page, line 38
• Page 5, line 22-after “trichomanis vaginalis”, a comma should be.
  Added thank you

Discussion:
• The result of Egypt studies are lack. Results about vaginal douching and
reproductive health hazards of women from Egypt should be used in the discussion. Thus, part of the discussion will become the richer. Unfortunately, studies from Egypt are up to our knowledge is lacking, and this add to the benefit of having this work published.

- Page 6- In the last line of the first paragraph was written twice “%”, one of them the deleted.
  Done thank you
- Page 7, line1- What is the RCT? Randomized controlled trial? When the first to be used RCT must be the long spelling, the abbreviation (RCT) be indicated in parentheses.
  Done thank you
- Page 7, line 3- PID should be written instead of pelvic inflammatory disease.
  I think "pelvic inflammatory disease" that is written in the beginning of the second paragraph in page 7 should be left spelled long because it is in the beginning of the paragraph
- Page 7, line 12- What is the CDC? When the first to be used CDC must be the long spelling, the abbreviation (CDC) be indicated in parentheses.
  Done thank you
- Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being Published/
  The whole work had been revised by a fluent English person.
Reviewer's report 2:
Reviewer: Ali Irfan Guzel

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Manuscript can be accepted after minor revisions
1. The manuscript needs an English revision.
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2. The references are not new. There is much accepted revisions about this topic, authors may refer to these manuscript eg.; Vaginal douching practice and related symptoms in a [1]. Güzel AI, Kuyumcuoğlu U, Celik Y. Arch Gynecol Obstet. 2011 Nov;284(5):1153-6.

3. In the tables standard deviations wrong (+), they should be corrected as (±)

4. The references are not suitable for the journal, they should be corrected, the names of the journals should be italic and volumes bold.

5. The authors should make Logistic regression between vaginal douching method and reproductive hazard to find the odd ratios between these variables. This table will be very useful for this manuscript

Done thank you, see table 3