Author's response to reviews

Title: Use of complementary and alternative medicine: a survey in Turkish gastroenterology patients.

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Author's response to reviews: see over
To the editor;
I have just corrected the minor grammatical errors as you see below. I revised the manuscript according to the journal’s format and checked it.
Sincerely
Taylan KAV MD

20/10/09 revised manuscript:
Major revision:
Tables were added to the end of the manuscript as described.
Table 2 was referenced in the text.
References were corrected accordingly
Minor revisions:
“Introduction” was renamed as “Background”, material and methods to “methods” as well.

Reviewer's report
Title: Use of Complementary and Alternative Medicine: A survey in Turkish Gastroenterology Patients.
Version: 3 Date: 19 August 2009
Reviewer: Heather Boon
Reviewer's report:
General Comments:
The author has satisfactorily addressed the majority of the issues raised in my previous review. The revised paper is significantly improved.
Major Essential Revisions
None
Minor Essential Revisions
1. Both in the abstract and page 6 of the article, the author states that “marital status” is positively and significantly correlated with CAM use – marital status is a variable name – is being married the value of this variable that is correlated? If so, then re-word to say this.

No, being married is not correlated. Both of the sentences were corrected.

2. Also on page 6, the author notes that only 56.9% of patients provided cost information – was this 56.9% of all respondents or of those that reported CAM use? Please clarify this in the relevant sentence.

It refers to those that reported CAM use and remaining of that sentence was changed as “but information on cost was only provided by 56.9% of the patients that reported CAM use”.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests
Quality of written English: Acceptable
Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.
Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests
Reviewer's report
Title: Use of Complementary and Alternative Medicine: A survey in Turkish Gastroenterology Patients.
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Reviewer: Harald Walach

Reviewer's report:
There are only two things that need changing now:
on page 4 it says "median uptake" when clearly "median usage" is meant.
The conflict of interest statement should say: the auhtor declareS (instead of declare)
Can be done when submitting the final ms; no need for checking.
I would like to thank to the reviewer, and “usage” is more appropriate, which was corrected as with the other grammatical error.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest
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