Author's response to reviews

Title: Kernicterus by Glucose-6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase deficiency: a case report and review of the literature.

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Dear Gino:

Enclosed please find the corrections and modifications on the about manuscript; I hope you will find it now suitable for publication.

Thank you very much for the effort you put on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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REVIEWER 1: ERNESTO DUEÑAS
Referee 1 suggests, that the necessity of G6PD neonatal screening given the high prevalence of the enzymatic deficiency in Panama (state at the end of the Conclusion section), should not be recommend, because there are no previous published reports about prevalence in this country.

Therefore, we do the next paragraph changes: “As the use of naphthalene in stored clothes is a common practice, we strongly recommend including the G6PD testing in the neonatal screening given its high prevalence in Panama” TO “As the use of naphthalene in stored clothes is a common practice, the G6PD testing in the neonatal screening could avoid this severe clinical consequence.”

Reviewer 1 also suggests some language corrections, then we revised the language usage carefully.

REVIEWER 2: CARL ERIK NORD
Referee 2 suggests stating the importance of G6PD neonatal screening given the high prevalence of the enzymatic deficiency in Panama in the conclusion section of the Abstract.
Therefore, we include the next sentence at the end of the Abstract: “As the use of naphthalene in stored clothes is a common practice, the G6PD testing in the neonatal screening could avoid this severe clinical consequence.”

Reviewer 2 also suggests some language corrections, then we revised the language usage carefully.