Author's response to reviews

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Dear Sirs,

Thank you for your kind comments to our article "Escherichia coli strains of phylogenetic group B2 and D and bacteriocin production are associated with advanced colorectal neoplasia".

We have made corrections required by the reviewers (which we have highlighted with the coloured (red) text in the manuscript):

- Thank you for the comment about the temperature which is needed for freezing of bacterial strains - we checked this and changed the text according to the information from our microbiologist to "-80".

- We added the information that "the written informed consent for participation in the study was obtained from participants".

- The manuscript fulfils now the required format according to BMC guidelines.

- We included the legend section for the additional files within the main manuscript document.

- We also added that the written informed consent from the participants contained agreement with the data and information to be published.

Kind regards,

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