Reviewer’s report

Title: Magnitude of Helicobacter pylori and associated risk factors among symptomatic patients attending at Jasmin internal medicine and pediatrics specialized private clinic in Addis Ababa city, Ethiopia

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1. keywords should be different from title
2. line 20- how early information is important to prevent infection
3. line 22. H.pylori instead of complete name
4. line 23. you have conducted study in symptomatic patients. according to my knowledge, when a person already developed symptoms of disease, then you cant write early detection
5. line 25. space between A and cross-sectional
6. line 29. performed using--------rapid test, revise this sentence
7. line 32- delete this line Out of 487 participants 57.3% were females.
8. line 33-34 delete
9. line 49. delete disease
10. line 56. use full name of organism at the start of paragraph
11. line 74. use abbreviation of H.pylori
12. line 77. delete WHICH IS
13. line 83. as you have mentioned that patients have symptoms of H.pylori infection were include in this study but you did not mentioned symptoms in methods, results, not even in tables
14. line 89 and 121. children parents for those who are under 18 years old but in results you have mentioned age range 19-26 years. so you have no patient under 18, justify your line 89 statement
15. in table 1 and table 2, no of primary, high school and university are different. revised your results with correct values

16. line 124. 82% recalculate it

17. line 167. revised line THIS study......

18. line 167-171. rephrase in the form of one paragraph for comparison of your results with other countries

19. line 175-182. what was the possible reason for high prevalence in female

20. line 189-195. you have mentioned that insignificant association could be due to mostly your study participants live in urban area but no data related to urban and rural distribution mentioned in table and risk factor analysis in your methods.........

21. line 194-195. what do you mean by relative advantage to the accessibility of pipe water, boiled water and bottled water compared to rural population BUT whole population of your study using same source of water

22. line 196. Education, income and occupation status (where is data of occupation status)

23. any recommendation for prevention or control of H. pylori infection

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If not, please specify what is required in your comments to the authors.

No

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