Author’s response to reviews

Title: Kidney stone formers have more renal parenchymal crystals than non-stone formers, particularly in the papilla region

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Dear Dr. Nunzio:

Thank you very much for your letter regarding our manuscript (BURO-D-17-00226) entitled, “Stone formers demonstrated higher number of renal parenchymal crystals especially in papilla
region than non-stone formers,” together with the comments from the editor. I am sending herewith a revised version of our manuscript and our responses to the editor’s comments.

I hope that the changes made to the manuscript are satisfactory and that it is now acceptable for review.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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Editor’s comments

1) Please confirm in your ethics statement whether the participant consent was written or verbal. If it was verbal, please confirm that you received ethics committee approval for verbal consent and detail how you documented the consent.
Response to the editor

In "Ethics approval and consent to participate", we modified the sentences in more detail as follows. "All patients' consent was acquired prior to the study using nephrectomized tissue by signing a consent form on using pathological specimens for the research."

2) Please amend your sub-heading ‘Introduction’ to ‘Background’’ within your manuscript.

Response to the editor

"Introduction" was changed to "Background".

3) Please upload figure 5 which you cite in your manuscript.

Response to the editor

Figure 5 was adopted as a schema in the original draft manuscript, but after consultation with the supervisor, we deleted that figure because we can not make such a hypothesis only by the result of this research.

I'm very sorry, but I simply forgot to delete the Legend in Figure 5.

4) Please amend your Author Contributions to clearly state the involvement of all authors. Please see our editorial guidelines for Authorship at https://www.biomedcentral.com/getpublished/editorial-policies#authorship

Response to the editor

Following your editorial guidelines for Authorship, we have added the detailed role of each author and their responsibilities.
5) Please include all tables within your manuscript, and remove the separate files.

Response to the editor

Following your guidance, we included all the tables in the manuscript.