Reviewer’s report

Title: Serum and Salivary Ferritin and Hepcidin Levels in Patients with Chronic Periodontitis and Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

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Reviewer: Luigi Santacroce

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Dear Authors,

your paper sounds interesting and well organized. It seems to be well conducted, respecting ethical principles and with a good statistic analysis,

On the other hand, I’ve noted that the more recent references are from 2015, and some aspects of the Background section could be implemented considering some other references (including more recent paper from 2017) For your convenience, I report some references that you can consider, as well as more others:


PMID:
23722909 Iron homeostasis and hepcidin
28803674 - 20001897 Oral Hygiene, Diabetes and periodontitis
28990193 - 17228854 Periodontitis and health status
28662967 - 28424258 - 28584599 Hepcidin Concentrations in different conditions
26389530 - 26122214 - 28959211 - 28756960 Crosstalk between periodontitis and cytokines

In addition, you must write the Conclusion section, because now it is represented by the last 4 (four) lines of the Discussion section.

At last, I’ve noted that your paper is related to a clinical trial, and I think that it should be reported. http://apps.who.int/trialsearch/Trial2.aspx?TrialID=ChiCTR-ROC-17012780

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

Yes

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Yes

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