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Dear Dr. Hamsu Kadriyan,

I am writing to you regarding manuscript entitled "Correlation of cancer stage with the expression of LMP-1 and BCL-2 in patients with undifferentiated nasopharyngeal cancer", which you submitted to ASM Science Journal for the special issue of the 2nd International Conference on Science and Technology in the Tropic (ICST2017). An arbitrary manuscript ID has been assigned for your manuscript and the same ID will be referred in our communication to ease the handling process.

Your manuscript has been reviewed, and we think that the manuscript has its merit, but not suitable to be published as it currently stands. The comments of the reviewer(s) are included at the end of this email. Comments made directly on the manuscript are also attached in the email, if any. Therefore, I invite you to respond to the reviewer(s)' comments and revise your manuscript.

All reviewers gave you suggestions on how to improve the manuscript during revision, and I recommend you carefully consider them, especially reviewer #2's suggestion for you to rewrite the materials and method section by providing more details on the immunohistochemical study and statistical analysis. It is not possible to detect LMP-1 and BCL-2 using the same COX-2 antibody. You should also discuss the results more in-depth concerning the relevance of LMP-1 with the NPC stage considering the relatively weak correlation found between them, as well as the limitation of using only immunohistochemical staining as a means of investigating the expression of oncogenes. Some other aspects that you should consider when revising your manuscript are the use of comma when indicating the decimal places of any value throughout the text (especially the tables), ambiguous sentences, inconsistent use of Roman and Arabic numerals, and the way references are cited in the text and also in the list, as pointed out by reviewer #2.

Please ensure that the list of reference follows the Harvard referencing style, which is in line with the journal's specification. See the following examples of how various reference sources (e.g. journal articles, books, book chapters, conference proceedings, online resources, dissertations) should be formatted in the list of reference:

[1] Kumar, P & Garde, RJ 1989, 'Potentials of water hyacinth for sewage treatment', Research Journal of Water Pollution Control Federation, vol. 30, no. 10, pp. 291–294.

- [2] Hyem, T & Kvale, O (eds) 1977, Physical, chemical and biological changes in food caused by thermal processing, 2 edn, Applied Science Publishers, London, UK.
- [3] Biale, JB 1975, 'Synthetic and degradative processes in fruit ripening', eds NF Hard & DK Salunkhe, in Post-harvest biology and handling of fruits and vegetables, AVI, Westport, CT, pp. 5–18.
- [4] Common, M 2001, 'The role of economics in natural heritage decision making', in Heritage economics: challenges for heritage conservation and sustainable development in the 21 century: Proceedings of the International Society for Ecological Economics Conference, Canberra, 4 July 2000, Australian Heritage Commission, Canberra.
- [5] Thomas, S 1997, Guide to personal efficiency, Adelaide University, viewed 6 January 2004, <<http://library.adelaide.edu.au/~stthomas/papers/perseff.html>>.
- [6] McColloch, LP, Cook, HT & Wright, WR 1968, Market diseases of tomatoes, peppers and egg-plants, Agriculture Handbook no. 28, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC.
- [7] Cairns, RB 1965, 'Infrared spectroscopic studies of solid oxygen', PhD thesis, University of California, Berkeley, CA.

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- (1) the manuscript you submitted (word file named "ASM_authurname") for your own reference.
- (2) the manuscript file that has been formatted to ease the review process. The manuscript mainly has the line numbers added, made into single column and a line spacing of 1.5 (word file named "ASM-SI-ManuscriptID"). You are encouraged to WORK ON THIS FILE and show the changes in red color font, without formatting the page layout when revising your manuscript. You may also refer the line numbers quoted by reviewers, if any, to this word file.
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- (4) an author warranty form that you should send back to us along with the revised manuscript. This is to ensure that the manuscript is original and has not been published or submitted elsewhere, in compliance with the journal's requirement.

Kindly submit your revised manuscript along with the author warranty form by 30 September 2019.

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Thank you.

COMMENTS FOR THE AUTHORS:

Reviewer #1

Add in keywords, IHC

Should explain a limitation for this study

Reviewer #2

Please see the comments below and also the specific comments made on the manuscript in the attached PDF file.

The study investigates if there is a correlation between the stage of nasopharyngeal cancer (NPC) and two potential prognosis markers for NPC, including the latent membrane protein-1 (LMP-1) which is an oncoprotein of Epstein-Barr virus, and the B cell lymphoma-2 (BCL-2) type protein that promotes cancer cell growth. The findings of the study could be useful in providing more information for the staging process. However, the manuscript needs an extensive language editing and revision before it can be accepted for publication.

Some of my general comments are as follow, and the more specific suggestions are in the attached file.

- The "materials and method" section is too brief for enough information to be gathered, especially on the immunohistochemistry and statistical analysis. More information should be provided in this section. The detection system for IHC study was not mentioned, alongside some details about the antibodies used. I am not sure if it is possible to use COX-2 antibody to detect LMP-1 and BCL-2 (this is what I understand from the authors' writing). The scoring should be explained more clearly (what do positive 1, positive 2 and positive 3 mean?). Why is it necessary to indicate expression of BCL-2 as positive 1, 2, 3? What are the references for the immunohistochemical staining procedure? What are the statistical analyses conducted? What software was used? What is the significance level? These should all be addressed in the materials and methods section to allow other researchers to validate their results using the same procedures, instead of very briefly mentioned in the results section.
- Some sentences were not clear. For example, abbreviations such as T0, T1, T2, T3, N0, N1, N2, M0, M1 will not mean anything without proper explanation of each of them (lines 30-32). Some other examples are in the discussion section, where the context of "this result" and "the result" are not clearly indicated – are the authors referring to the findings of the references they cited, or the findings of their own study?
- Take note of the careless indication of decimal place of figures in all tables and the text - use a dot, not a comma.
- Also take note of the inconsistent use of Roman and Arabic numerals throughout in indicating the subtype of NPC, as well as the stage of cancer.
- Figures 1 and 2 can be removed. There is no point repeating the same information twice.
- What is the basis (reference) for you to describe the strength of correlation for the r value? I don't think staging is strongly correlated with the expression of LMP-1 with a correlation coefficient of 0.421. If you were to interpret the strength of correlation as Evans (1996) recommended, r ranging between 0.40-0.59 indicates moderate correlation, while 0.60-0.79 indicates strong correlation.
- Since the correlation between the stage of NPC and expression of LMP-1 was not that strong, why do you still consider it important in informing the stage of NPC? The low coefficient indicates that the LMP-1 expression could not predict the NPC stage with much accuracy.
- Take note of your citation of reference in the text. When you have more than one references for a particular statement, cite as (A; B; C), not (A)(B)(C) [note: arrange them in alphabetical order]. When your sentence structure already introduced the reference, there is no need to repeat the citation like "Li et al. (2007) detected ... (Li et al., 2007)."
- It has been a common knowledge that "staging is important" – please rewrite the conclusion for the study.

Sincerely,
Phaik-Eem Lim
Guest Editor
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Dear Prof. Phaik-Eem Lim

Thank you for your response to my manuscript and all the attachments. Regarding your explanation and your guide to correcting the manuscript, here are the attachment of manuscript that I was correcting. I send also the author warranty letter as your request. I hope my manuscript can fulfil the requirement to be published in ASM Science Journal. However, if there any further corrections, I am ready to do it as soon as possible.

Thank you for your kindness
Sincerely yours

Hamsu Kadriyan
Faculty of Medicine, Mataram University, Indonesia



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Dear Dr. Hamsu Kadriyan,

Thank you for submitting the revised manuscript ASM-SI-022.R1 entitled "Correlation of cancer stage with the expression of LMP-1 and BCL-2 in patients with undifferentiated nasopharyngeal cancer" to ASM Science Journal for the special issue of the 2nd International Conference on Science and Technology in the Tropic (ICST2017).

I have reviewed your revised manuscript, and we would need some changes to the text before it can be accepted. Please consider my editorial suggestions for revising the wording in the tracked changes in the Word file and check that I have not changed your intended meaning. In addition, please go through and address my specific comments on your manuscript, which include the unexplained abbreviations (for example, T0, T1, T2 etc), the lack of details on how immunohistochemical study was carried out, and also the way you list the online resources in the reference. With that, I invite you to respond to my comments and revise the manuscript.

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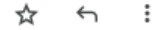
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Dear Prof. Phaik-Eem Lim

Thank you for your correction and suggestion regarding my manuscript.

I read your suggestion to revise some sentences, finally, I agree with your suggestions.

According to the staging, I removed it into the methods section and additional explanations regarding the TNM abbreviation was included as well.

Regarding the IHC procedures, I already explained more detail in the manuscript. I hope this revision can fulfill the ASM sciences journal requirements. However, if there are any advance revision, I am ready to revise it as soon as possible.

Thanks for your kindness,

Sincerely,

Hamsu Kadriyan

Medical Faculty, Mataram University, Indonesia



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Dear Dr. Hamsu Kadriyan,

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I have reviewed your revised manuscript, and made some editorial suggestions to the methods. I assumed you used MACH 4 detection system as suggested in the brochure for Bcl-2 antibody. Also, please verify whether the dilution factor for the antibodies followed the references you cited or the instructions from manufacturers. The antibodies used in this study were from different manufacturers as the references you cited. Attached with this email is the manuscript with my editorial and language suggestions and comments (word file named "ASM-SI-ManuscriptID.R3-Text-comment"). Please check if you agree with the suggestions before I can officially accept the manuscript.

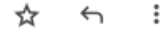
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Thank you.

Sincerely,
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Sel, 29 Okt 2019 16.09



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Dear Prof. Phaik-Eem Lim

Thank you for the correction and suggestion on my manuscript. I have discussed with my research team regarding the dilution factors for Bcl-2 and LMP-1. I have written a wrong position of the dilution factor between bcl-2 and LMP-1. The right dilution should be 1:50 for LMP-1 and 1:100 for Bcl-2 (as a protocol described by the manufacturer), furthermore, to prevent confusion with reference, I deleted the reference on the dilution protocol and followed only the manufacturer guidelines.

For the language corrections, I absolutely agree with your suggestion.

In addition, the revised version of my manuscript is attached in this email.

Thank you for your patients and willingness on guiding me on the revision of my manuscript.

Best regards,

Hamsu Kadriyan

Corresponding author

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Dear Dr. Hamsu Kadriyan,

I am pleased to inform that your revised manuscript ASM-SI-022.R4 entitled "Correlation of cancer stage with the expression of LMP-1 and BCL-2 in patients with undifferentiated nasopharyngeal cancer" has been accepted for publication in the ASM Science Journal for the special issue of the 2nd International Conference on Science and Technology in the Tropic (ICST2017).

Your manuscript is now proceeded for copyediting and proof production. We will be in contact with you if we need any further information. You may write to me at this address if you have any questions regarding this manuscript by quoting the manuscript ID ASM-SI-022.R4 in the subject title.

Thank you very much for this interesting contribution.

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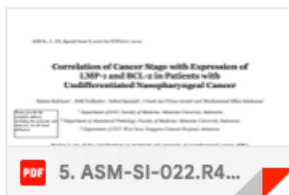
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Dear Prof. Phaik-Ehm Lim

Thank you for this good news. I have reviewed the article and I am very satisfied with the type writing, correctness, as well as completeness. Regarding the full address, I was inserted in pdf of the article. Hopefully that journal could be published as soon as possible.

Thanks again for your kind cooperation.
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Dear Guest Editor of ASM Science Journal

Thank you for your hard work and for finally sending me the galley proof of my manuscript in this journal. I have truly appreciated it.

Regarding the galley proof, I have been checking it and it is perfect. There is no correction on the document.

Thank you very much for your kind assistance.

Best regards,

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