Review of: "Efficacy of Potassium Competitive Acid Blockers (P-CABs) versus Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs) in the First and Second Line Eradication Regimens for Helicobacter pylori in Egyptian Patients"

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General:

Authors investigated to compare the efficacy of vonoprazan-based eradication therapy and PPI-based therapy for H. pylori infection in Egyptian patients. However, authors failed to show efficacy of vonoprazan-based therapy in Egyptian patients.

Comments:

- 1. In meta-analyses of Asian trials, the triple combination of vonoprazan, amoxicillin, and clarithromycin was associated with significantly higher eradication rates than PPI-based triple therapy. Why did authors fail in this study?
- In Japanese study, eradication rates in first-line and second-line vonoprazan-based regimes were around 85-95 and 80-95%, respectively. Why was the eradication rate less than 70% in all four arms? Authors should mention in Discussion section.
- 3. This study is prospective, non-randomized study. How did authors select regimen?
- 4. Please show how to determine sample size in this study.
- 5. Good compliance was defined as drug consumption >75% of the total dosage. Is it enough to analyze?
- Please add body wight, height, history of GERD, peptic ulcer, and gastric cancer, history taking PPI or H2RA in Table
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- 7. Serious problem of this study is loss of data about susceptibility to antimicrobial agents.