Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed a modified version of my Microreview manuscript "[The Impact of the Gut Microbiota]". To address the concerns and comments raised by the 3 of my reviewers, I made the following changes to improve and clarify the manuscript. It is my hope that these changes make the manuscript acceptable for publication in Microreviews in Cell and Molecular Biology.

Sincerely,

Jessica Price

Reviewer 1:

1. Reviewer 1 provided quality feedback that focused on my grammatical errors that needed to addressed within the manuscript. Some things I was able to address the complex ideas that could've been described more and broken down so the audience is able to comprehend the subject more. I really appreciate the quality feedback that was relevant and helped with the updated changes I was able to make in my current manuscript. Thank you again for taking the time out to provide good feedback.

2. What changes did you make to your manuscript as a result of the comments of Reviewer 1?
"The comment of Reviewer 1 regarding possible confusion about the starting of the introduction was very helpful. This issue was resolved within the introduction by highlighting the findings that the article mentions and also by including more recent progress in the sections. I also included more references and article based explanations to help further the understanding of the acronyms and other tests that needed to be more defined from the study. I made a lot of adjustments with sentence structure in the discussion and the supporting claims made that the gut microbiota can influence the overall host and disease.

Reviewer 2:

1. Briefly state if you found the comments of Reviewer 2 helpful or not.
Reviewer 2 provided quality feedback and was very helpful with providing feedback that focused on fixing the grammatical errors I made within the manuscript. Also the sentences that didn't flow I had to make adjustments so the reader was able follow along with the flow of the paper.
The reviewer did a excellent job informing me on the things that I can change in order to make this manuscript effectively target the audience.

2. What changes did you make to your manuscript as a result of the comments of Reviewer 2?
The idea structure of the body of the paragraph was changed and adjusted from not having the proper structure written to getting help from the writing center to have a better flow within the paper. Some sentences had to be changed in order for the overall manuscript to flow which helped a lot.

Reviewer 3:

1. Briefly state if you found the comments of Reviewer 3 helpful or not.

Very helpful provided constructive criticism which helped me understand the choice of diction used within the manuscript. Mostly the reviewer focused on my misuse of certain diction and the arrangement of certain sentences.

2. What changes did you make to your manuscript as a result of the comments of Reviewer 3?

Within the main topic sentences I reworded some of the grammatical errors and had the writing center help with structuring my final manuscript.