

### Reply to the reviewers' comments

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3	Can the authors increase the number of participants and also state the number of participants	<p>It will be difficult increasing the number of participants in this study as it was already an upheaval task obtaining the few we had. There are very strong myths and beliefs getting hair samples for the attendant ritual purposes in our environment. We hope however that in subsequent study we could see how to overcome this hurdle through one-one sensitization.</p> <p>For the present study, we used three participants.</p>	See materials and methods section for the mention of number of participants.
		The corrections highlighted in yellow have been acknowledged.	