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Diadema, February 7, 2017.

Dear Professor Sergio de Paiva Gonçalves,

Please find enclosed a manuscript by Marquezin et al. with the title "Evaluation of masticatory and salivary parameters in preschool children with different morphological occlusion", which we would like to submit to the Brazilian Dental Science.

In this study, we have made a comprehensive evaluation of the masticatory and salivary functions in children with different morphological occlusion; our results showed that some important parameters may differ in the presence of malocclusion, drawing attention to the early assessment of changes in functions related to the masticatory system.

The authors of the manuscript hereby state that we have effectively contributed to this work; MCSM, CGG, FYK and CAS were responsible for data collection. PMC and FLAF contributed to the design of the study, interpretation of the data and conducted the statistical analysis. MCSM and PMC wrote the manuscript. All authors critically reviewed the manuscript and have approved the final version submitted for publication.

We understand that if the work, or part of it, is considered deficient or a fraud, I take shared responsibility with the other authors. The manuscript has not been published, simultaneously submitted, or already accepted for publication elsewhere.

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