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Manuscript Title: **Epidermal mucus as a potential biological matrix for fish health analysis**

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Dear **Mr. Heri BUDI SANTOSO**

Evaluation process of the above mentioned manuscript has been reviewed. The comments of the reviewer(s) are included at the bottom of this letter.

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Regards,

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Reviewers Recommendation:

**Reviewer 1:**

Reviewer Comment For Author:

This is well written manuscript regarding the potency of epidermal mucus as a biological matrix for fish health evaluation. However, the following issues should be considered for publication in EJABF.

**ABSTRACT**

In line 9, it is mentioned that "Cortisol, glucose, ... as stress biomarkers. It seems that this sentence is missing a verb. Please consider adding it.

In the keywords of the abstract, please consider replacing the correct spelling of "sress".

**REVIEW**

In the part of the review, it is mentioned that "Teleost fish ... (Stephard, 1993)". It seems that this sentence is also missing a verb. Please consider adding it.

In the further sentence, it is mentioned that "Consequently, ... thinner (Dang et al., 2019). It appears that this sentence includes an incomplete comparison. Consider rewriting to be "... and the thickness of the epithelium layer (Dang et al., 2019)".

"These proteins are detected ... Dang et al., 2019)". It appears that this sentence is missing a comma before the coordinating conjunction so in a compound sentence. Consider adding a comma in this sentence and also for a similar case in the other sentences.

Proteases eliminate ... (Abolfathi et al., 2020). It appears that this sentence has double period in the part of cited reference. Please consider adding a comma as punctuation.

Antimicrobial peptides ... (Reverter et al., 2018). It seems that this sentence is also missing a verb. Please consider to add it.

Besides cortisol, immunoglobulin ... epidermal mucus. Please remove "of" here. It seems that usage of this proposition is inappropriate here.

In page 10, it is mentioned that "Mucosal immunity in the epidermal mucus of fish depends on ecological and physiological conditions such as seasonal cycles and developmental stages". Please add more explanation concerning this sentence to make more comprehensive information.

The author encouraged future studies using the proteomics approach. Please describe more detail what a gap which has been not touched yet in the previous studies and become a challenge for future studies.

**REFERENCES**

In the List of Reference, please check more that the reference is written by following the guidance from EJABF.

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Thank you for the information and cooperation

Best regards,  
Heri Budi Santoso

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