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### ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: **30580-Edited.doc**)

**Title: Impaired inactivation of digestive proteases: The possible key factor for the high susceptibility of germ-free and antibiotic-treated animals to gut epithelial injury**

**Author:** Xiao-Fa Qin

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#### **Response to Reviewer Comments**

**Reviewer's code:** 02444931

#### **COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

N/A

#### **RESPONSE:**

Thanks.

**Reviewer's code:** 02530212

#### **COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

I agree that this commentary on hot topics about Impaired inactivation of digestive proteases: the possible key factor for the high susceptibility of germ-free and antibiotic-treated animals to gut epithelial injury make us understand pathogenesis of IBD clearly.



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### RESPONSE:

Thanks.

**Reviewer's code:** 03017551

### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The author has concluded a very their valuable comments on such report. This is an important contribution to the etiology of inflammatory bowel diseases.

### RESPONSE:

Thanks.