

Dear Editor,
World J Gastroenterology

First we want to thank you for all your work finding referees to our manuscript no 16854.

We have now tried to do what is needed regarding a manuscript in your Journal. Below you will find our answers to the reviewers:

Ref 1: "*...which is maybe too long but necessary in order to understand possible therapeutic approaches*".

Ref 2 "*First of all, the article is very long, thus the authors ought to reduce it a little*".

We agree that the manuscript may be extensive but non-pharmacological treatment include some rather complicated approaches with different sub-titles. Therefore we have tried to illustrate this with a new table 1. On the other hand we have deleted table 1 and 2 from the initial manuscript. We have also tried to reduce the text as much as possible and also the numbers of references are reduced.

Referee 2. "*Figure 1 is too explicative, and the commentaries which are done there should appear in the text as such*".

We have reduced the text in the legend to the figure. Text has been transmitted into the text in the manuscript as requested.

There are too many citations in the bibliography according to ref 2 who also want to delete PMID and DOI numbers.

We agree that there are many citations and these are now reduced as much as we can but in some places of the manuscript the information is unique and therefore not deleted.

Regarding DOI and PMID numbers these should be included according to the instructions of the Journal, see BPGs revision policies.

Ref 2: *The Table I is also too long. Besides, the Table II is barely understandable, and some of the abbreviations are not explained, therefore it had better be changed also.*

Yes, we have taken away Table 1 and included it in the body text. However when we did that, we had to change the original text too, otherwise things will be said twice.

Table 2 is withdrawn and another shorter Table 1 is done, we hope you will find it convenient.

Language check is done and the results put into the text. However in the beginning I changed word for word but this was very stoking so as you will see in the later end of the manuscript we have changed whole paragraphs, we hope this will be easier for you to read.

Hope fully all these changes will be enough and that you can accept this manuscript

My best regards

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