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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 2558-edit.doc).

Title: WHY IL-10 SUPPLEMENTATION DOES NOT WORK IN CROHN'S DISEASE PATIENTS

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

Page 4. A paragraph has been included on the pharmacological action of IL-10

Page 5. A paragraph has been included highlighting the importance of IL-10 in intestinal homeostasis.

Page 5. A paragraph has been included on the role of STAT3 in IL-10 signalling.

Page 6. A section has been included on IL-10 mucosal levels and IL-10 serum levels in IBD has been elaborated on.

Page 10. A summary table of the key findings from IL-10 human and animal studies has been included.

Pages 12 - 14. Further explanation as to why IL-10 supplementation does not work and how this could be addressed has been added.

Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewers and editor

- (1) The grammatical and typographical errors and sentence structure have been addressed.
- (2) A 100 word summary has been included.
- (3) A figure legend has been added to Figure 1.
- (4) References were corrected.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Gareth Marlow'.

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