

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Title: Systemic interleukin (IL)-9 in inflammatory bowel diseases: association with mucosal healing in ulcerative colitis

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

1. Please provide data on IL-9 levels in acute gastroenteritis and celiac disease to demonstrate its applicability in inflammatory diseases. 2. Please decrease the length of your discussion focusing on the most important messages. 3. Please provide a scheme or graph correlating IL-9 with Mayo endoscopic score and CDAI score.

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In my opinion the present study adds relevant news to the current literature and could be of practical interest for clinicians experienced in IBD. Minor changes, particularly about efficacy, could improve the suitability for publication of such a study.

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This manuscript is very interesting. The study was performed in 293 patients (IL-9 and other cytokines). Positive values - new research methods and statistical analysis.

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Overall, this is a clear, concise, and well-written manuscript. The introduction is relevant and satisfactory. The methods are generally appropriate. The results are clear and compelling. Overall, this is a good quality manuscript. It is acceptable for publication.

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Specific comments: Introduction: - On Line 14, the expression "Inflamed gut biopsies from UC patients have been found to overexpress IL9 both at mRNA and protein levels" needs reference. - On Line 32, the authors mentined that "Th1 and Th2 subset signatures" were analysed. It might be interesting to mention which cytokine belongs to each group. Material and methods: - On Line 2, the expression "apparently healthy controls" needs a better explanation. - On Line 8, more information about the "few exceptions" is necessary. For instance, How many patients?; which medication did they take? - - Line 16: How the "active inflammation" was measured?; - Please, inform in this section how cachexia and anemia groups were characterized. Results: - It might be interesting to show the pair comparisons in figure 1. For instance, the difference between inactive IBD X control group; - A better explanation about how the pair or the multiple comparisons between the groups is needed (figure 2). Moreover a better explanation about why grouping in active disease to compare against a single one is needed; - Line



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09: please, specify what “endoscopic findings” are positively correlated with IL-9; - Line 10: Which criteria did you use to reach 53 UC patients and please, inform how many were active or inactive; - The authors should comment the impact of IL-9 in the mucosal healing in the CD patients; - The authors should add informations about sample collection and the management; - The authors are encouraged to present the cytokines results;