

## Reviewer 1 Comments

Copenhagen criteria. I had trouble finding the relevant information with the links provided (19,20). I suggest that the criteria be described explicitly within the body of the manuscript.

The Copenhagen Criteria have been added to the main body of the text.

Were the biologics offered? If yes did the patients refuse?

We did not analyse whether patients refused treatment or not. Access to biologics is universal in the National Health Service as the patient does not bear the cost of treatment.

## Reviewer 2 Comments

Nil

## Reviewer 3 Comments

I suggest in the discussion that article PMID: 24833941 should be cited and added in the references.

The reviewer has asked to cite their own article.

## Reviewer 4

1. In Japan and Korea, new entity of enteropathy caused by genetic mutations has been reported by Umeno et al (A Hereditary Enteropathy Caused by Mutations in the *SLCO2A1* Gene, Encoding a Prostaglandin Transporter. *PLoS Genet.* 2015 Nov 5;11(11):e1005581). In IBDU, genetic difference might cause the enteropathy in Asian population?

In the discussion (page 15, paragraph 2) we have described the current genetic studies in the Asian population and possible contribution to disease pathogenesis.

## Reviewer 5

1. The authors included data regarding the incidence of IBD in India, but they are from 2013. If possible, please include some more current data.

As far as we are aware there is no more recent data for incidence of IBD in India.

2. How much the Indians born in UK changed dietary and other habits?

We did not carry out a formal dietary assessment but in the discussion we have described how South Asians and other migrant groups change their diet after migration (page 15, paragraph 3)

3. The paper requires careful check spelling and revision of errors, e.g. by a statistician, the catchment area

The data has been reviewed by a statistician.