Answering Reviewers

1 The authors should clarify the manuscript and emphasize that ancient Asian medicine used "fecal-derived" material, not actual feces

Answer: the preparation procedures including fermentation, were emphasized, not actual feces.

2 The authors are encouraged to re-evaluate the manuscript by Eiseman and colleagues published in 1958. The authors do not by any means "assume" that the beneficial effects of the FMT are due to an altered microbiota. Indeed, they monitored the microbiota during the course of their prospective study, correctly anticipating the changes that they observed.

Answer: we totally agree reviewer's comment.

3 I am not sure that I understand how the authors ensured that they adequately reviewed the ancient literature. This aspect of the study will be very interesting to the average reader, I believe. Can the authors add more details?

Answer: actually we have corrected more literatures in Chinese which are very interested on how to prepare and how to apply the "fecal-derived" material. We may prepare another article on this interesting topic.

4 Some editing of the English is needed

Answer: the manuscript has been edited.