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			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The present m/s aims to review the studies related to the ability of PUFAs to prevent

CRC by changing the DNA methylation. In the m/s a brief report of the latest knowledge regarding the changes in the DNA methylation pattern and its association with CRC is firstly presented, followed by a link of PUFAs with DNA methylation in CRC. The work is very interesting as it summarizes the last evidence of the field, however the m/s requires extensive revision to be accepted for publication. Major points

1. The text contains the terms UFA and UFAs, as well as PUFA and PUFAs, with the same meaning. The authors must carefully correct accordingly.
2. The authors must carefully examine the references cited, i.e., ref 53 does not correspond to page 6, line 2.
3. Page 12, lines 20-22: There is misleading information, or the authors have confused the data presented in ref 104.
4. The presentation of “Epigenetic modification by PUFA” and especially of “PUFA and possible DNA methylation mechanisms in CRC” contain a lot of information inserted in text like a list without any continuity and criticism by the authors. Moreover, this information is rather incomplete. For example, at page 13, lines 20-22, a sentence that informs for first time on hydroxymethylation of DNA by -3 PUFAs was inserted without any reference (although seven lines before, the study presenting the hydroxymethylation of DNA was cited). The use of one or two Tables replacing that text would be more helpful.

Minor points

1. Page 3, line 28: It is better to write ‘maintenance of methyltransferase activity, which plays....’.
2. Page 4, line 2: It is better to write “tissues, such as breast and hepatocellular carcinomas, as well as cell lines, have elevated”.
3. Page 4, line 3: Replace “Different” with “Various” or “A plethora of”.
4. Page 4, line 20: Replace “is” with “are”.
5. Page 11, line 23 and Page 14, line 26: Do not start new paragraph.

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methylation- associated colorectal cancer risk, which is of some significance. Author should delete some introduction before publication.

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In this review, the authors demonstrate that polyunsaturated fatty acids reduce the risk



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of colorectal cancer by affecting DNA methylation. The authors proposed several mechanisms by which PUFA affects DNA methylation, including modulation of cancer cell membrane, and activities of intracellular PPARs, COX-2, noncoding-RNAs, DNMTs and TET proteins, each of which is worth exploring in depth. The author points out that further researches are needed to provide more potential novel insights into the mechanisms about PUFA influence on DNA methylation and the CRC risk.

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