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Dear reviewers:

We are very grateful to your valuable suggestions and comments on our manuscript. According to your suggestions, we revised the relevant part of the manuscript. Your questions are answered below.

Answer to reviewer #1:

Yes, we quite agree with your comments and have added some contents of the increasing use of biologics and immunosuppressants to the “GMA for UC” and “Future of GMA” sections. Discussion of the cost-effectiveness of GMA in IBD patients is added to the “Future of GMA” section. The reference you recommended is cited in the “GMA for special IBD patients” section as well. Thank you very much again for your valuable comments.

Answer to reviewer #2:

We are very thankful to your valuable comments on our manuscript, and have added the two purposed references to, and discussed a little about the combination therapy of GMA with biologics in IBD patients in the “GMA for UC” and “GMA for CD” sections. We believe that your comments and suggestion will help us a lot in our future work as well.

Best regards,

Yingde Wang