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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

1. Extensive and elaborate study on STC in animal model to understand the mechanism and changes after TCM treatment. 2. Authors are advised to mention the chemical composition of six Chinese herbs- *Angelica sinensis* , *Cistanche deserticola* , *Achyranthes bidentata* , *Fructus aurantii* , *Alisma orientalis* and *Cimicifuga heracleifuga* used in JCM. This may help to understand the chemical effects on the COLON and correlation with ACH / other metabolites in STC after JCD treatment. 3. A paragraph on use of JCD in humans, its long term outcome and side effects from published larger study would be better if included in introduction. 4. There was no mention how the STC was confirmed ? in animal model after oral administration of diphenoxylate , that all of them developed STC . Objective evidence is necessary .

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