

### PEER-REVIEW REPORT

Name of journal: World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology

Manuscript NO: 81963

Title: Molecular methods for colorectal cancer screening: progress with next-generation

sequencing evolution

Provenance and peer review: Invited Manuscript; Externally peer reviewed

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Scientific quality	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [ ] Grade B: Very good [Y] Grade C: Good [ ] Grade D: Fair [ ] Grade E: Do not publish
Language quality	[ Y] Grade A: Priority publishing [ ] Grade B: Minor language polishing [ ] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [ ] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[ ] Accept (High priority) [ ] Accept (General priority) [ Y] Minor revision [ ] Major revision [ ] Rejection



Re-review	[Y]Yes []No
Peer-reviewer	Peer-Review: [Y] Anonymous [ ] Onymous
statements	Conflicts-of-Interest: [ ] Yes [ Y] No

#### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Thank you so much for the opportunity to review this paper: Molecular methods for colorectal cancer screening: progress with next-generation sequencing evolution. This review study about molecular methods for colorectal cancer screening is a very good index for the next generation of screening methods. I have two comments: 1. The number of references is 190, I think the authors can reduce that. It is too long for a review article. 2. The conclusion is too long. The authors need to be specific about the highlights of the review article. Congratulations for the paper.



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not an interesting manuscript. Author scannot succeed to present their idea in a clear way adding information to the existing literature.



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The manuscript entitled "Molecular methods for colorectal cancer screening: progress with next-generation sequencing evolution" reports a review on currently progressed diagnostic tools for CRC screening, with a focus on NGS approaches. The manuscript is well prepared. The below lists several suggestions that the authors may need to consider.

1. An abstract that summarizes the paper should be added. 2. Figures that show the principal or clinical examples for each diagnostic method may be prepared and provided, to make it better understood for general readers. 3. lines 104-110, the principal of liquid biopsy method may be described, to provide a better understanding for readers. 4. The principals of different NGS approaches may be added, to provide a better background information for readers. 5. The paragraph in section 7 is too long, which can be divided to several paragraphs to present a better logic.



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Please find my comments attached.