

ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format

Title: Is there a role for fish oil in inflammatory bowel disease?

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Name of Journal: *World Journal of Clinical Cases*

ESPS Manuscript NO: 10529

Reviewer 35901:

Minor language polishing.

The text has been polished

Reviewer 2840060:

This paper is the review of the role for PUFAs in inflammatory bowel disease. The paper is written well. There are some papers in regard to the above. Uchiyama K, et al. N-3 polyunsaturated fatty acid diet therapy for patients with inflammatory bowel disease. *Inflamm Bowel Dis.* 2010;16:1696-707. Cabré E, et al. Omega-3 fatty acids and inflammatory bowel diseases - a systematic review. *Br J Nutr.* 2012 Jun;107 Suppl 2:S240-52. Marion-Letellier R, et al. Polyunsaturated fatty acids in inflammatory bowel diseases: a reappraisal of effects and therapeutic approaches. *Inflamm Bowel Dis.* 2013;19:650-61. However the authors divided the content into three points, reduction of disease activity, maintenance of remission and switch from PSL or 5-ASA, and considered them, respectively. I think this paper may interest WJG readers.

These three papers have been integrated into the text

Reviewer 2908309:

Although interesting, Almost all studies showed minimal or no benefit of fish oil in inflammatory bowel disease I encourage the author to look for recent studies on fish oil and IBD,

There is only one recent paper – a Cochrane Review and this has been included in the discussion

Reviewer 32685

Brief but interesting review on a controversial and still open subject. The concise style of the article (which certainly deserves publication) seems to be more suitable as an Editorial rather than a Review article, but this is up to the editor to decide.

No specific issue to address



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