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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 11040-review.doc).

Title: Depletion of the *IKBKAP* ortholog in zebrafish leads to Hirschsprung disease-like phenotype

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1. Figures have been re-organized. Figure legends have been re-written accordingly.
2. Grammatical mistakes and typos have been corrected.
3. Images on higher magnification have been added to Fig 2 (Fig 1b in the original version)
4. Magnifications of the images have been added to Fig 1 (Fig 1a in the original version) and Fig 2 legends.
5. Number of zebrafish embryos used in Fig 2 has been added the legends.
6. Statistical methods used have been added to the Materials and Methods and Figure Legends.
7. Scientific name of the zebrafish used has been added to the Materials and Methods.
8. Concerning the sizes and weights of the zebrafish used, because they were in embryonic stages and therefore very small (<5 mm in length), we did not weigh them or measure their exact sizes. However we mentioned the stages when the embryos were being analyzed, e.g. 5 days-post fertilization (dpf), in the Materials and Methods, Results and Figure Legends. We believe this information is sufficient for reader to replicate the experiment as exactly as described in this manuscript.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,



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