**Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS**



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Dear Editor,

As requested I am enclosing the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: GNN\_1107).

**Title:** Glucomannan for abdominal pain-related functional gastrointestinal disorders in children: a randomized trial.

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The manuscript has been revised according to the reviewers’ suggestions and comments:

1. The manuscript’s format has been revised

2 Changes and edits have been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

**Reviewer 00646306**

**Comment # 1**

Why were 4 patients who violated protocol (GNN, n=3;placebo, n=1) included in analysis?

**Answer**

In response to the reviewer's question regarding the inclusion of four patients demonstrating deviations to the protocol, I confirm that the patients were analyzed in accordance with the "available case analysis" [ACA]. If they had been excluded, it would have been the analysis  "per protocol" which has lesser value than ACA or "intention to treat" analysis [ITT].

**Reviewer 00181017**

**Comment # 1**

This is a simple well conducted study, in which the lack of conclusions is a conclusion itself. Registration number of the trial should be specified.

**Answer**

In response to the reviewer's comment regarding the registration number of the trial, I confirm that this information is included in the manuscript in the section "ethical considerations": "The Ethics Committee of The Warsaw Medical University approved the study. The trial was registered at ClinicalTrials.gov ([http://clinicaltrial.gov](http://clinicaltrial.gov/)), number NCT 216 01495806." (lines 245-247).

Additionally, 3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

Sincerely yours,



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