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Dear Editor,

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Title:

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers (see track changes in the manuscript):

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) Title was revised.

In respond to the comment from one of the reviewers: 'Please revise the title, which must include the key words of Gastroenterology'

*Thank you for the suggestion to include the subject gastroenterology in the title. Actually, the current review does not only include studies on FMT in gastro-intestinal diseases. Strictly metabolic syndrome is not a gastro-intestinal disease. That is why we did not change the title that much.

(2) figure 1. Identification, screening, eligibility and inclusion of studies: included as a ppt file, which can be edited.

(3) author names + author contribution, written according to the suggestions.

(4) Methods: *Search strategy and selection criteria*, I put is as text in the manuscript, instead of a table or text box.

(5) COMMENTS -> completed.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Some of the references were not published but derived from conference abstract books. If that case, we could not include PMID or DOI numbers.

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

Sincerely yours,

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