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Dear Editor,

Dear Lian-Sheng MA,

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Article title: Prevalence and predictors of hospitalization in Crohn's disease in a prospective population-based inception cohort from 2000-2012

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Certificate of Statistical Review

Peter Vargha*, who is a biostatistician , extensively reviewed the manuscript above.

All authors have fulfilled the criteria of authorship and seen and approved the final version of the manuscript and they have authorized the first author to grant on behalf of all authors to transfer exclusive copyright to *World Journal of Gastroenterology* in case of acceptance.

We do hope that the new data presented could be of interest to the readers of the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,
With kind regards,

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