

13 September 2015

Dear Editor,

**Re: Invited Review Article: Inflammatory Bowel Disease in the Elderly  
[Editorial Board ID: 19768 ]**

We are delighted that our Review Article has been accepted for publication in the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Pharmacology and Therapeutics.

We thank you and our learned reviewers for their valuable comments, which we have incorporated in the revised paper.

Please see below our response to reviewer's comments specifically. The changes as required appear highlighted in the revised paper.

1) The section of "Thrombotic complications" in page 19, it's better to move it to the clinical presentation section

The section on Thrombotic complications has been moved to the clinical presentation section.

2) In page 20, authors used the item of CRC in the whole section of "IBD Related Colorectal Cancer". But the features described in the section should be the CAC (Colitis-associated Colorectal Cancer) related risk factors. As we known, the pathways of CAC and CRC are different. Authors should use the appropriate item of CRC or CAC in different sentences.

The term CRC has been changed to CAC to reflect colon cancer that is related to colitis.

3) The next paragraph in this page, how to define the "younger age" in elderly patients with IBD for CAC surveillance?

The 'younger age' refers to elderly patients diagnosed before the age of 60 and this has been added to the text on page 20.

4) Please write a running title of less than 6 words. See the format in the attachment.

A running title has been added.

5) For the institution: author names should be given first, then the complete name of institution, city, province, postcode and country. A detailed address of the corresponding author should be added, as well as contribution of both authors, a conflict of interest statement and key words.

All of these points have been addressed and follow the guidelines provided.

6) Abstract no less than 200 words

The abstract is now over 200 words.

7) A core tip and audio core tip should be added to attract readers

A core tip has been included an audio core tip attached.

8) References should be in square brackets and superscript

| All references are in square brackets and superscript.

9) Please check the manuscript for percentage signs

We have gone through the manuscript to check for percentage signs and added if needed.

10) Add PubMed and DOI citations to references

References have got PubMed and DOI citations if applicable.

We attach a copyright assignment form duly completed and trust that all this meets with your requirements. We also understand that there will be no charge applicable in this publication and thank you for your consideration in this regard.

Also, thank you for your response indicating that your editorial office will perform Cross check for us and in form us if they have any additional questions.

It is a pleasure to contribute to the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Pharmacology and therapeutics. We look forward to making further and worthy contributions in the future.

Thank you

Yours Sincerely,

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