

Answering Reviewers

A) Editor comments

1. **Comment [q1] : Scientific Research Process**
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2. **Comment [q2] : Non native speakers of English**
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3. **Comment [q3] : Author contributions**
--> described in the manuscript
4. **Comment[q4][q5] : Institutional review board statement**
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5. **Comment[q6] : Clinical trial registration statement :**
-- > **This study was not enrolled in clinical trial registration and was approved by the IRB of Gangneung Asan Hospital.**
6. **Comment[q7] : Informed consent statement :**
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7. **Comment[q8] : Conflict-of-interest statement :**
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10. **Comment[q11] : Reformat reference number**
--> all reference number was reformatted
11. **Comment[q12] : Comment**
--> described in the manuscript
12. **Comment[q13]: PubMed citation number and DOI citation**
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B) Manuscript revision

1. Running title : Fixed-time split dose bowel preparation
2. The Abstract of this study was not described to exceed 246 word in total.
3. **Citation** : Jun JH, Han KH, Seo HL, Park JK, Kim YD, Lee SJ, Jun BK, Hwang MS, Park YK, Kim MJ, Cheon GJ. Randomized clinical trial comparing fixed-time split dosing and split dosing of oral Picosulfate regimen for bowel preparation. *World J Gastroenterol*
4. Core tip : *p* --> *P*
5. Introduction : PGE --> PEG
6. Results : Tab. --> Table, Fig. --> Figure
7. Figure 1 : pts -> patients

C) Answer of peer review report(minor revision)

1. There few typing errors
(i.e. PGE instead of PEG in Introduction, as an abbreviation)
--> **PEG (collected)**
2. In Table 3 the last group is seen as 2+3 Sachets: Is this true or typing error?
--> **2 or 3 Sachet(collected)**
(Because the result of last group is sum of taking 2 or 3 sachets of picolight)
3. The regular recommendation of Sodium picosulfate(Picolight) is two sachets either in the same day(separately for 4 hour intervals) or split dose in the day before and during colonoscopy procedure. However, with this recommendation your success rate is relatively lower than expected(table 3). How do you explain this results?
--> Described in Discussion as below
We think these results are due to the Korean life style and high fiber diet, which include foods such as "Kimchi" and seaweed, and two sachets of sodium picosulfate are insufficient for bowel preparation. Therefore we recommend three sachets of sodium picosulfate and adequate modification of water intake.
4. When you recommend 3 sachets of sodium picosulfate(Picolight): Is there any dose related problems in the future as this dose is greater than the recommended dose from Summaries of Product Characteristics(SPC)?
--> The following description and references are cited.

The prospected randomized clinical trials to compare the preference and efficacy of sodium picosulfate in Korea, proved that three sachets of sodium picosulfate regimen was as effective as conventional high volume PEG solution. And sodium picosulfate groups reported superior palatability and tolerability.

But patients with renal insufficiency, uncontrolled cardiovascular problems, liver disease, metabolic disease and admitted patients were excluded from this studies. Therefore, these results are inapplicable to high-risk or admitted patients and additional studies are warranted.

References)

1. A randomized, endoscopist-blinded, prospective trial to compare the preference and efficacy of four bowel-cleansing regimens for colonoscopy
Scandinavian Journal of Gastroenterology. 2014; 49: 871-877
2. Effectiveness of Sodium Picosulfate/Magnesium Citrate (PICO) for Colonoscopy Preparation
Ann Coloproctol 2014;30(5):222-227
3. Randomized controlled trial of low-volume bowel preparation agents for colonic bowel preparation: 2-L polyethylene glycol with ascorbic acid versus sodium picosulfate with magnesium citrate
Int J Colorectal Dis (2015) 30:251–258

D) Answer of peer review report(rejection)

1. colorectal cancer is the third most common cancer in the western world
--> in the world
2. In 27% of patients who had poor bowel preparation, more than 10 mm of polyps were not observed on the first colonoscopy, and the importance of bowel preparation was further emphasized.^[3]
--> In 27% of patients who had poor bowel preparation, more than 10 mm of polyps were not observed on the first **colonoscopy**. **Therefore** the importance of bowel preparation was further emphasized.^[3]
3. A variety of bowel preparation agents have been developed to reduce the large amount of water consumption
--> A variety of bowel preparation agents have been developed to reduce the large amount of **fluid** consumption

4. Additionally, in patients who have to undergo ultrasound or esophagogastroduodenoscopy at the same time, the results may not be accurate.

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