



**PEER-REVIEW REPORT**

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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of	(General priority)	Peer-reviewer's expertise on the
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			<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The authors have demonstrated that the composition of gut microbiota in Indonesian subjects. The data from this study seems to be important and informative. However, this article has several issues. I hope that the authors revise this manuscript as following comments. 1, Did you check the diversity of microbiota in each groups? 2,



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The authors should clearly definite age category between younger and older subjects in the section of materials and methods. 3, The infomation regarding another agent proton pump inhibitors, anti-cancer drugs, and anti-diabetic agents and so on, which may affect the structure of gut microbiota. 4, The data regarding stool consistency and frequency are missing. 5, After all, what is differences between Bai and Yogyakarta subjects? This issue should be clearly described.

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I was reading this paper and found it interesting for publication in WJG. POINTS;  
\*Add some new references in this field using scopus to enrich your text and ideas, \*\*  
write a better discussion according to your results, \*\*\* describe why you have chose  
these sort of bacteria and why not others!



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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The original finding of the manuscript is revealed the distribution of culturable bacteria, yeast, and mold in Indonesian. However, there are big problems in the experimental design and results analysis. (1) The author did not indicate the background of peoples selected in the study, since they came from different places and have different diet habits.



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The differences were not only caused by ages, but also places and diet habits, although some diet limitation was made before the study. However, that was not enough to eliminate the differences caused by their backgrounds. (2) The results from RT-PCR and culture method could not be compared since CFU could not be obtained from the RT-PCR method, and, RT-PCR measured the overall bacteria distribution, whereas, culture method only indicated very small part of bacteria. The results from two methods were not comparable. (3) Study was only carried out on the culturable bacteria, yeast, and mold that were only a very small part of gut microbiota. Therefore, they could not reflect the microbiota profile in the samples. So, the main text and title were not consistent.

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