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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a very interesting systematic review and meta-analysis that aimed to assess FIT accuracy for CRC detection in different clinical settings. In general, the manuscript is very good; English language is excellent. Methods section and statistical analysis section



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are clearly described. The figures and tables are clear and useful. I would suggest to include more references on the topic in the discussion (e.g. Vacante M, et al. World J Clin Cases. 2018; Godos J et al World J Gastroenterol. 2017). Also, I would include a statement in the conclusion paragraph on the future direction and possible surgical/clinical application of the results of the study.

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In my opinion, you have to better highlight the role of the FIT and its impact on patient's management in the Conclusion of the manuscript.

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