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Dear Editor:

We wish to re-submit our manuscript titled “Kynurenine Plays an Immunosuppressive Role in 2,4,6-Trinitrobenzene Sulfate-Induced Colitis in Mice.” The manuscript ID is 52255.

We thank you and the reviewers for your excellent comments and thoughtful suggestions. Our manuscript has greatly benefited from your insightful feedback.

It has been rechecked and necessary changes have been made in accordance with the reviewers' suggestions. Our responses are given in a point-by-point manner below and changes to the manuscript are written in red. We hope that the revision and the responses we have prepared and provided below satisfactorily address the issues and concerns you and the reviewers have noted.

We look forward to working with you and the reviewers to move this manuscript closer to publication in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely,

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Response to reviewers

We greatly appreciate your suggestions and have carefully addressed your comments.

Referee #1 Number ID 03408355 (Remarks to the Author):

1. No further comments.

ANSWER: Thank you for your reviewing.

Referee #2 Number ID 02456959 (Remarks to the Author):

1. The experimental results must be shown according to the order of the research methods.

ANSWER: As suggested by the reviewer, we have changed the order of the research methods.

2. It is suggested that use graphs or tables to show results as much as possible, and reduce text descriptions.

ANSWER: As suggested by the reviewer, we have reduced the text descriptions as much as possible.

3. Please delete the redundancy sentences when the tables or figures have clearly showed the same information, and the value of the statistical analysis should be written in the corresponding graphs and tables (such as, $p=?$ and $t=?$ and so on) for multiple or pair-wise comparisons test.

ANSWER: Thank you for your suggestion. As suggested, we have deleted the redundant sentences and have shown the statistical analysis values in each figure in compliance with the journal's format.

4. On the section of Discussion, the main findings, limitations, and authors' insights should be present more clearly and shortly.

ANSWER: We have more re-written the Discussion section to more clearly present the above-mentioned elements.

5. The Table, Figure, Reference, and special symbols must fit the journal's requirements or format.

ANSWER: We have carefully re-formatted the Table, Figure, Reference, and special symbols.