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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Thank you so much for inviting me to revise this manuscript about this timely topic in inflammatory bowel disease. Several promising biomarkers of mucosal healing are emerging but cannot yet substitute for endoscopy with biopsy due to issues with reproducibility and standardization. On the basis of the above, the current study addresses a current topic. The manuscript is quite well written and organized. Figures and tables are comprehensive and clear. The introduction explains in a clear and coherent manner the background of this study. Robust method description is needed. Clinical implications should be better explained. The discussion as it stands may be too wordy and its streamlining should make room for this additional brief discussion. The authors should better explain the limitations of their work, in the last part of the Discussion. We believe this article is suitable for publication in the journal although minor revisions are needed. The main strengths of this paper are that it addresses an interesting and very timely question and provides a clear answer, with some limitations.

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This is a pretty updated review in this field. The search criteria for the candidate literature is well defined.