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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Dear authors, congratulations on this very interesting review. I find your article very well-written. I liked the accessible structure, this work is totally suitable also for colleagues from another areas of expertise like myself (I am a surgeon). The text resembles the competence of the authors and shows their advanced understanding of the topic. There is one thing that is in my opinion lacking- you did not incorporate any overview of existing vaccines and did not elaborate on their impact on the gut mucosa. Are such publications available yet? If not- I think you should at least mention it. Bring the readers up-to-date with this subject, so they can understand the size of the problem. Then this article will be truly complete.