**Re**: **Revision "Age, alcohol, sex, and metabolic factors as risk factors for colonic diverticulosis".**

**Dear Editors,**

We thank you and the reviewer for giving us the opportunity to revise our manuscript. We have carefully studied the comments raised by the reviewer and Editors, and revised the manuscript accordingly. The following are the point-by-point responses to the editor’ and reviewer’ comments. All the modifications have been highlighted in yellow in the revised manuscript.

Sincerely,

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**Reviewer :**

**Comments to author:**
**Specific Comments to Authors:**Very necessary investigation! To make it interesting for worldwide readers, there should be a hypothesis of / or literature on changes in the prevalence, life style changes, etc. to get some estimation of the "cultural" shift. Diverticulosis was considered as a "western" disease. So please reconsider more correlating/confounding variables, many thanks.

**Response:** We appreciate your positive comment and suggestion. And we have already added the hypothesis of the change in prevalence of colonic diverticulosis in the introduction part (Page 4 line 16-18). Indeed our manuscript has some limitations. The study lacked confounding variables like dietary habits and physical activity. We have realized and already added the limitations in the discussion part (Page 10 line10-12).

**Editor:**

**Comments to author:**

(1) The title is too long, and it should be no more than 18 words; and (2) The “Article Highlights” section is missing. Please add the “Article Highlights” section at the end of the main text.

**Response:** Thank you for taking the time and effort to help us improve the manuscript. We have already added “Article Highlights” section at the end of the main text (Page 11, line 4-11).