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**Title:** Fish consumption and risk of gastrointestinal cancers: a meta-analysis of cohort studies

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) **For reviewer 02536020**

In the introduction, the sentence 'their results have been inconsistent' means some studies found the relation between fish intake and cancer was positive. However, others were negative.

English language has been revised.

We rescaled one standard portion size of fish intake as 105 g, according to a large cohort study– the Health Professional Follow-up Study in the USA.

As to low to moderate fish consumers or high fish consumers, the follows are the numeric levels.

	<i>low to moderate fish consumers</i>	<i>high fish consumers</i>
Nomura et al	2-4 times/wk	≥5 times/wk
Bostick et al	≥1 - <2 time/wk	≥2 time/wk
Giovannucci et al	20.9 - 31.0 g/d	47.8 - 83.4 g/d
Kato et al	Q2	Q3
Hsing et al	0.8-4.0 time/mo	>4 times/mo
Kinjo et al	1-3 times/week or less	4 times/week or more
Kjærheim et al	1-5 times/month	≥6 times/month
Knekt et al	Q2	Q3
Ngoan et al	2-4 times/week	≥1 time/day
Stolzenberg-Solomon et al	>17.9 and ≤38.6 g/d	>38.6 g/d
Tiemersma et al	1-4 time/mo	>4 times/mo
Michaud et al	1/week	≥2/week
English et al	1.0-1.4 times/wk	≥1.5 times/wk
Sanjoaquin et al	0-1 time/wk	≥1 time/wk
Nothlings et al	0.85(0.73-0.96)	0.91(0.78-1.03)
Sauvaget et al	2-4 times/wk	≥5 times/wk
Tokui et al	1-2 times/week	≥3 time/day
Larsson et al	1.1-<1.5 servings/week	≥1.5 servings/week
Engeset et al	70.8-117 g/d	>117 g/d
Hall et al	1-<2 time/wk	≥2 times/wk
Heinen et al	0 - 20 g/day	≥20 g/day

Lee et al	20 to <49 g/day	≥49 g/d
Sugawara et al	26.3-53.3 g/d	≥53.4 g/d
Spencer et al	1-<30 g/d	≥30 g/d
Daniel et al	8.5 g/1000 kcal	17.4 g/1000 kcal
Rohrmann et al	10 to <40 g/day	≥40 g/day
Sawada et al	71.7 g/d	135.3 g/d

The abbreviations have been added.

In the discussion, line 43 has been revised.

As to the esophageal cancer, there was only one study provide numeric data. So we can not do a meta-analysis for the risk of esophageal cancer associated with a 20-g/day increment of fish consumption. References on esophageal cancer and fish intake were rare, so we did not discuss it in the discussion part.

Table 2 has been revised.

**(2) For reviewer 00009357**

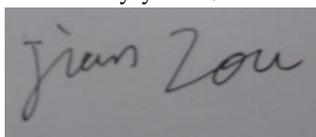
Fig2 and Fig 6 have been revised.

English language has been revised.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

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