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Re: Submission of a Revised manuscript to the WORLD JOURNAL OF GASTROENTEROLOGY

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Editor-in-Chief

Dear Prof Subrata Ghosh,

Thank you very much for giving us the opportunity to revise our invited review (Manuscript number: 72556)

We would be grateful for the consideration of our revised manuscript “Comment “Asymptomatic small intestinal ulcerative lesions: Obesity and *Helicobacter pylori* are likely to be risk factors”” (by Wei Wang, Zhipeng Li, Juan Zhang, Zijun Lin, Meilin Ma and Sisi Chen) for publication in the World Journal of Gastroenterology.

The authors have read and complied with author guidelines, and they all have seen and approved this manuscript for publication. None of the authors had a conflict of interest to disclose concerning this manuscript.

We are grateful to the Editors for their precious contributions and comments. We have revised our manuscript accordingly for grammar, style, structure and we hope that you will now find it suitable for publication in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*. In case of final acceptance, we agree to make this manuscript open-access.

The changes in the manuscript are identified in track change mode. Below you can find a point-by-point reply to the reviewers. We used red to denote revised or inserted text.

Thank you for your precious time.

We are looking forward to receiving your decision in due time.

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Reply to Reviewers

1.Reviewer #1 This paper is very interesting because analyzes the different causes related with the finding of asymptomatic small intestine ulcerative lesions and the authors find that the main factors are obesity and presence of *Helicobacter Pylori* infection

Thanks to the reviewer for the appreciation of our paper.

2.Reviewer #2 In the present letter Wang et al commented on a paper already published on World Journal of Gastroenterology, about the relationship between obesity, H. pylori, anemia and small bowel ulcers. All raised points are shareable. My only suggestion concerns reference list. Only one cited paper is too few, Authors must cite other papers to support the discussion.

Thanks to the reviewer for the appreciation of our paper.

We have supplemented the relevant references, and supplemented the information of the reference articles in the reference section of the article, and at the same time meets the requirements of your magazine.

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