

CHECKLIST OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR SCIENTIFIC EDITORS

Manuscript page number (Without Figures): 24 Rate: 6.2 CNY per page

Editing Fee: <u>148.8</u> CNY

Figure count: ______ Figure handling time: ______ Monthead Market I CNY per min

Editing Fee: <u>40 CNY</u>

XML and PDF converting time: 30 min Rate: 1 CNY per min

Editing Fee: <u>30 CNY</u>

Manuscript word count: 6228

Total Editing Fee: <u>218.8</u> CNY

Scientific Editor: Han Zhang

Date of signature: <u>12/13/2022</u> (month/day/year)

Item No.		Comments
	Specific items for verification	Yes=[Y]
		No= [N]
	General Information of the Manuscript	
	Name of journal: World Journal of Gastroenterology	
	Manuscript NO.: 80330	
	Column: Minireviews	
1	Title: Secondary bile acids and the biliary epithelia: The good and	
1	the bad	[Y]
	Authors: Ilaria Lenci, Martina Milana, Alessandro Signorello,	
	Giuseppe Grassi and Leonardo Baiocchi	
	Reviewer code: 00069130, 05689673, and 00069130	
	First decision: 2022-10-30 17:06	
2	Editorial Office's Comments	[Y]



Baishideng **Publishing**

7041 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 160, Pleasanton, CA 94566, USA **Telephone:** +1-925-399-1568 E-mail: bpgoffice@wjgnet.com https://www.wjgnet.com

Science Editor: Remind Revision at 2022-11-07 08:18 Company Editor-in-Chief: I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report, the full text of the manuscript, the relevant ethics documents, and the English Language Certificate, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Gastroenterology, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted. I have sent the manuscript to the author(s) for its revision according to the Peer-Review Report, Editorial Office's comments and the Criteria for Manuscript Revision by Authors. Please provide decomposable Figures (in which all components are movable and editable), organize them into a single PowerPoint file. Please authors are required to provide standard three-line tables, that is, only the top line, bottom line, and column line are displayed, while other table lines are hidden. The contents of each cell in the table should conform to the editing specifications, and the lines of each row or column of the table should be aligned. Do not use carriage returns or spaces to replace lines or vertical lines and do not segment cell content. Please check and confirm whether the figures are original (i.e. generated de novo by the author(s) for this paper). If the picture is 'original', the author needs to add the following copyright information to the bottom right-hand side of the picture in PowerPoint (PPT): Copyright ©The Author(s) 2022. If an author of a submission is re-using a figure or figures published elsewhere, or that is copyrighted, the author must provide documentation that the previous publisher or copyright holder has



Baishideng Baishideng Publishing

7041 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 160, Pleasanton, CA 94566, USA **Telephone:** +1-925-399-1568 E-mail: bpgoffice@wjgnet.com https://www.wjgnet.com

given permission for the figure to be re-published; and correctly indicating the reference source and copyrights. For example, "Figure 1 Histopathological examination by hematoxylin-eosin staining (200 ×). A: Control group; B: Model group; C: Pioglitazone hydrochloride group; D: Chinese herbal medicine group. Citation: Yang JM, Sun Y, Wang M, Zhang XL, Zhang SJ, Gao YS, Chen L, Wu MY, Zhou L, Zhou YM, Wang Y, Zheng FJ, Li YH. Regulatory effect of a Chinese herbal medicine formula on non-alcoholic fatty liver disease. World J Gastroenterol 2019; 25(34): 5105-5119. Copyright ©The Author(s) 2019. Published by Baishideng Publishing Group Inc[6]". And please cite the reference source in the references list. If the author fails to properly cite the published or copyrighted picture(s) or table(s) as described above, he/she will be subject to withdrawal of the article from BPG publications and may even be held liable. Before final acceptance, when revising the manuscript, the author must supplement and improve the highlights of the latest cutting-edge research results, thereby further improving the content of the manuscript. To this end, authors are advised to apply a new tool, the Reference Citation Analysis (RCA). RCA is an artificial intelligence technology-based open multidisciplinary citation analysis database. In it, upon obtaining search results from the keywords entered by the author, "Impact Index Per Article" under "Ranked by" should be selected to find the latest highlight articles, which can then be used to further improve an article under preparation/peer-review/revision. Please visit our



	RCA database for more information at: https://www.referencecitationanalysis.com/.	
3	The fixed headings are copied.	[Y]
4	The title concisely summarizes the main topic of the study and is not too long (no more than 18 words). Words such as 'exploration', 'research', 'analysis', 'observation', and 'investigation' are avoided. The title does not start with 'The' and does not include any Arabic numbers or uncommon abbreviations.	[Y]
5	A short running title is provided (no more than 6 words).	[Y]
6	The authors' full family (sur)names and full/abbreviated first names are listed on the title page and are consistent with those listed in the signed BPG Copyright License Agreement form.	[Y]
7	 The 'Author contributions' passage describes the specific contribution(s) made by each author. The author's names are listed in the following format: full family (sur)name followed by abbreviated first and middles names. <i>e.g.</i>, "Wang CL and Liang L contributed equally to this work; Wang CL, Liang L, Fu JF, Zou CC, Hong F and Wu XM designed the research study; Wang CL, Zou CC, Hong F and Wu XM performed the research; Xue JZ and Lu JR contributed new reagents and analytic tools; Wang CL, Liang L and Fu JF analyzed the data; and Wang CL, Liang L and Fu JF wrote the manuscript. All authors have read and approve the final manuscript." 	[Y]
8	The 'Supported by' statement describes the source(s) of financial support and includes the corresponding identification number(s) and program ID(s) if available, and contains no spelling errors.	[N]
9	The 'Corresponding author' passage provides the corresponding author's full first and family (sur)names, abbreviated title (<i>e.g.</i> , MD, PhD), affiliated institute's name and complete postal address (including zip code) and e-mail (written in all lowercase), and	[Y]



	contains no spelling errors.	
10	The Manuscript Tracking information (<i>i.e.</i> , Received, Peer review started, First decision, Revised, Accepted, Article in press, and Published online) are provided along with the corresponding editor and date for each item, and contain no spelling errors.	[Y]
11	 The Abstract section is formatted according to the article-specific style (structured vs unstructured) and word count thresholds, as follows: <u>Commentary, Frontier, Diagnostic Advances, Medical Ethics, Minireview, Review, Therapeutics Advances, and Topic Highlight</u>: Non-structured abstract that is no less than 200 words. <u>Field of Vision, Case Report and Letter to the Editor</u>: Non-structured abstract that is no less than 150 words. <u>Research articles</u>: Structured abstract with subsections for AIM (no more than 20 words); METHODS (no less than 80 words); RESULTS (no less than 120 words); and CONCLUSION (no more than 26 words). 	[Y]
12	The 'Key words' list provides 5-10 keywords that reflect the main content of the study. The first letter of each keyword is capitalized, and each keyword is separated by a semicolon.	[Y]
13	The "citation" contains authors' names and manuscript title. The name of the first author should be typed in bold letters; the family (sur) name of all authors should be typed with the first letter capitalized, followed by their abbreviated first and middle initials. For example, an article by Jae Moon Yoon, Ki Young Son, Chun Sick Eom, Daniel Durrance, Sang Min Park will be written as Yoon JM, Son KY, Eom CS, Durrance D, Park SM. Pre-existing diabetes mellitus increases the risk of gastric cancer: A meta-analysis. <i>World J</i>	[Y]



Castroenterol 2019; In press [Y] 14 The 'Core tip' provides a summary (less than 100 words) of the study that outlines the most innovative and important arguments and core contents of the paper and will serve to effectively attract readers. [Y] 14 The 'INTRODUCTION' section clearly describes the relevant background information for the study. Only the most relevant and current (within the past 5 years) literature is cited, with the exception of rare instances of seminal literature citations. All technical terms and/or abbreviations are explained and/or defined, with the full name of abbreviation given upon first appearance in the text and the abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.</i> , "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.</i> , T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully. [N] 16 The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed as "P < 0.05, bP < 0.01 (P > 0.05 usually does not need to be denoted). [N]			
14 study that outlines the most innovative and important arguments and core contents of the paper and will serve to effectively attract readers. [Y] 15 The 'INTRODUCTION' section clearly describes the relevant background information for the study. Only the most relevant and current (within the past 5 years) literature is cited, with the exception of rare instances of seminal literature citations. All technical terms and/or abbreviations are explained and/or defined, with the full name of abbreviations given upon first appearance in the text and the abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.</i> , "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.</i> , T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully. [N] 16 The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear. [N]		<i>Gastroenterol</i> 2019; In press	
14 and core contents of the paper and will serve to effectively attract readers. [Y] The 'INTRODUCTION' section clearly describes the relevant background information for the study. Only the most relevant and current (within the past 5 years) literature is cited, with the exception of rare instances of seminal literature citations. All technical terms and/or abbreviations are explained and/or defined, with the full name of abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.</i> , "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.</i> , T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully. [N] 16 The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear. [N] 18 Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed [N]	14	The 'Core tip' provides a summary (less than 100 words) of the	[Y]
13 and core contents of the paper and will serve to effectively attract readers. The 'INTRODUCTION' section clearly describes the relevant background information for the study. Only the most relevant and current (within the past 5 years) literature is cited, with the exception of rare instances of seminal literature citations. All technical terms and/or abbreviations are explained and/or defined, with the full name of abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.,</i> "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.,</i> T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully. [N] 16 The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.,</i> chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear. 18 Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed		study that outlines the most innovative and important arguments	
16 The 'INTRODUCTION' section clearly describes the relevant and current (within the past 5 years) literature is cited, with the exception of rare instances of seminal literature citations. All technical terms and/or abbreviations are explained and/or defined, with the full name of abbreviation given upon first appearance in the text and the abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.</i> , "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.</i> , T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully. 16 The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed 18 Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed		and core contents of the paper and will serve to effectively attract	
background information for the study. Only the most relevant and current (within the past 5 years) literature is cited, with the exception of rare instances of seminal literature citations. All technical terms and/or abbreviations are explained and/or defined, with the full name of abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.</i> , "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.</i> , T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully.[N]16The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study.[N]17The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.[N]		readers.	
15current (within the past 5 years) literature is cited, with the exception of rare instances of seminal literature citations. All technical terms and/or abbreviations are explained and/or defined, with the full name of abbreviations given upon first appearance in the text and the abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.</i> , "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.</i> , T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully.[N]16The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study.[N]17The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.[N]		The 'INTRODUCTION' section clearly describes the relevant	
 exception of rare instances of seminal literature citations. All technical terms and/or abbreviations are explained and/or defined, with the full name of abbreviations given upon first appearance in the text and the abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.</i>, "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.</i>, T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully. The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study. The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i>, chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear. Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed 		background information for the study. Only the most relevant and	
15technical terms and/or abbreviations are explained and/or defined, with the full name of abbreviations given upon first appearance in the text and the abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.</i> , "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.</i> , T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully.[Y]16The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study.[N]17The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.[N]		current (within the past 5 years) literature is cited, with the	
 with the full name of abbreviations given upon first appearance in the text and the abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.</i>, "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.</i>, T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully. The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study. The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i>, chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear. Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed 		exception of rare instances of seminal literature citations. All	
15the text and the abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.</i> , "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.</i> , T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully.[N]16The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study.[N]17The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.[N]		technical terms and/or abbreviations are explained and/or defined,	
16 the text and the abbreviation presented in parentheses [<i>i.e.</i> , "computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (<i>e.g.</i> , 'T, 'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully. 16 The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study. The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear. 18	15	with the full name of abbreviations given upon first appearance in	
'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully.16The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study.[N]16The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.[N]18	15	the text and the abbreviation presented in parentheses [i.e.,	[Y]
by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the current study, the information is presented carefully. The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study. The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.		"computed tomography (CT)"]. First-person pronouns (e.g., 'I',	
Image: 10 cm matrixImage: 10 cm m		'we') are used appropriately to clearly indicate the work performed	
current study, the information is presented carefully.16The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study.[N]16The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.[N]18Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed[N]		by the author(s). When weaknesses of previous studies are	
16The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study.[N]16The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.[N]18Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed[N]		described in the text to highlight the innovations related to the	
16describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study.[N]The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.[N]18Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed[N]		current study, the information is presented carefully.	
16 [N] presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study. [N] The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either [N] 17 the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear. [N] 18 Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed [N]		The 'MATERIALS AND METHODS' section clearly and accurately	
presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the study.The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either17the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.18Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed	16	describes all materials and methods used to obtain the data	[N]
The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either17the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.18	10	presented in the article and is adequate for a reader to repeat the	
experimental results. Representative data and data that have scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.[N]18Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed[N]		study.	
 scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i>, chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear. Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed 		The 'RESULTS' section concisely describes the observational and	
17the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.[N]18Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed[N]		experimental results. Representative data and data that have	
not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear. 18		scientific significance are emphasized. Data is presented in either	[N]
figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences. Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear. Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed	17	the text, a table or figure (<i>i.e.</i> , chart, diagram, graph or image), but is	
Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear. Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed		not repeated among each. Information presented in the tables and	
18 Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed		figures clearly describes the trends, meaning, and inferences.	
18 [N]		Results described in textual form are accurate, concise and clear.	
as ${}^{a}P < 0.05$, ${}^{b}P < 0.01$ ($P > 0.05$ usually does not need to be denoted).	18	Statistical symbols are accurate. Statistical significance is expressed	[N1]
		as ${}^{a}P < 0.05$, ${}^{b}P < 0.01$ ($P > 0.05$ usually does not need to be denoted).	



	If there are other series of <i>P</i> values, $^{c}P < 0.05$ and $^{d}P < 0.01$ are used,	
	and a third series of <i>P</i> values is expressed as ${}^{e}P < 0.05$ and ${}^{f}P < 0.01$.	
	Statistical data is expressed as mean \pm SD or mean \pm SE.	
	The 'DISCUSSION' section (1) describes the main purpose and	
	hypothesis of the study; (2) summarizes the most important results;	
	(3) illustrates and explains the results (but does not simply repeat	
19	the data) and draws conclusions or inferences based on the results;	[N]
17	(4) points out the limitations of the study and their impact on the	
	results, as well as proposes further advice on future research	
	topic(s) or direction(s); and (5) describes the theoretical significance	
	and practical value of the findings.	
	The 'ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS' section expresses gratitude to any	
	individuals or organizations for technical support (i.e., providing	
2 0	instrumentation, equipment or experimental materials, and/or	
20	assistance in experimental work), non-technical services (<i>i.e.</i> , useful	[N]
	inspiration, suggestions, guidance, or review), and/or any other	
	auxiliary work.	
24	The 'ARTICLE HIGHLIGHTS' section provides comments for	[N]
21	original articles in accordance with the specified format.	
	The 'REFERENCES' section lists the references in the Vancouver	
	style. This style uses Arabic numeral in-text citations based on the	
	order of the first appearance of a source in the text. For citations	[Y]
22	where the author's name is indicated in the text, a superscript	
	number should be placed following the name (<i>i.e.</i> , "Pang <i>et al</i> "). For	
	citations where no author is indicated, a superscript number should	
	be placed at the end of the sentence. Respective examples are: "Ma ^[1]	
	reported", "Pan <i>et al</i> ^[2-5] indicated"; "PCR has a high	
	sensitivity ^[6,9] ." No superscript numbers are used when the	
	reference number is described in the text; for example, "The	
	experimental method used has been described in reference [8]." The	



	style of reference citations in tables is the same as that in the text	
	(e.g., Pan et al ^[2-5] , please see reference [8]).	
	Journal references have been verified to ensure that there are no	
	duplicate references and that the PMID numbers are correct. For	
	references not yet included in PubMed: the name of Chinese	
22	journals is spelled out using Chinese Pinyin, with the first letter of	
23	each word capitalized (e.g., Shijie Huaren Xiaohua Zazhi); the name of	[Y]
	journals in other languages are listed according to indexing	
	information retrieved from Google. Book references are presented	
	with all the information relevant to the electronic version.	
	The number of cited references is appropriate for the article type, as	
	follows:	
24	<u>Commentary:</u> no less than 50;	[]]
24	<u>Review:</u> no less than 100;	[Y]
	<u>Article:</u> no less than 30/26;	
	Case Report and Letter to the Editor: no less than 1.	
	The ethics-related statements are provided in accordance with the	
25	manuscript type (e.g., Manuscript NoInstitutional review board	[Y]
	statement, Manuscript NoAnimal care and use statement, etc.).	
	The names of the peer reviewers and the scientific editor are present	
26	at the end of the paper (e.g., P-Reviewer: Hugot D S-Editor: Wang	[Y]
	JL).	



	The order and numerical labeling of tables and figures is consistent	
27	with their appearance and presentation in the text. Symbols in	
	tables (e.g., +, -, ×, \div , *) correctly correspond to the definitions in the	
	footnotes. Only one legend is provided for each multi-panel figure	[Y]
21	consisting of color graphs, black and white graphs, or line graphs	[1]
	that depicts data of the same theme. For example: Figure 1	
	Pathological changes in atrophic gastritis tissue before and after	
	treatment. A:; B:; C:; D:; E:; F:	
	Split pictures include flow charts, line graphs, histograms, and	
28	graphs including text. Unsplit pictures include meta-analysis	[Y]
	diagrams, PCR amplification curves, and survival curves.	
20	The author(s) highlighted the changes made to the manuscript	[\/]
29	according to the peer-reviewers' comments.	[Y]
20	The responses to the peer-reviewers' comments are consistent with	[]]]
30	the changes made to the manuscript.	[Y]
	The revised manuscript is provided (file name: Manuscript No	
	Review; <i>e.g.</i> , 870- Review).	
31	The letter of peer-reviewers' comments is provided (file name:	[V]
51	Manuscript NoPeer-review(s); e.g., 870-Peer-review(s)).	[Y]
	The response letter is provided (file name: Manuscript No	
	Answering reviewers; e.g., 870-Answering reviewers).	
	The related ethics and relevant documents are provided, such as (1)	
32	Approved grant application form(s) or funding agency copy of any	[Y]
	approval document(s) (file name: Manuscript NoGrant application	
	form(s)); (2) Biostatistics review certificate (file name: Manuscript	
	NoBiostatistics statement); (3) Conflict-of-interest statement (file	
	name: Manuscript NoConflict-of-interest statement); (4) Clinical	
	trial registration statement (file name: Manuscript NoClinical trial	
	registration statement); (5) Institutional review board approval form	
	or document (file name: Manuscript NoInstitutional review board	



	statement); (6) Institutional animal care and use committee	
	approval form or document (file name: Manuscript No	
	Institutional animal care and use committee statement), and (7)	
	Signed informed consent form(s) or document(s) (file name:	
	Manuscript NoInformed consent statement).	
	All authors signed the BPG Copyright license agreement form (file	
33	name: Manuscript NoCopyright license agreement; e.g., 870-	[Y]
	Copyright license agreement).	
	The language certificate provided by authors who are non-native	
34	speakers of English meets the BPG requirements (file name:	[Y]
	Manuscript NoLanguage certificate; <i>e.g.</i> , 870-Language certificate).	
	The photos licensed in the Agreement for Use of Personal Photos	
25	are consistent with those in the paper (file name: Manuscript No	5 × 1
35	Agreement for use of personal photos; e.g., 870-Agreement for use	[N]
	of personal photos).	
	This document (Checklist of Responsibilities for Scientific Editors)	
36	has been saved under the file name: manuscript NoScientific	[Y]
	editor work list (e.g., 870-Scientific editor work list).	
	A CrossCheck investigation (an effective tool for detecting unoriginal	
	content, enabling our editors to preserve the journal's integrity and	
	the authors' copyright) has been performed for the manuscript via	
	the website: http://www.ithenticate.com/. The results document	
	contains the following information for the manuscript: "Name of	
37	journal", "Manuscript No.", "Columns", "Title" and "Author list".	[Y]
	The Figure of the <i>CrossCheck</i> results is saved in JPEG format (.jpg) at	
	1440 \times 680 pixel resolution. The PDF of the <i>CrossCheck</i> results has	
	been saved under the file name: manuscript No CrossCheck report	
	(e.g., 870-CrossCheck report). The Google searches have also been	
	performed to further ensure publication of original content.	
38	The text of the manuscript is typed in Book Antiqua font, 12 pt, with	[Y]



	1.5 line spacing.	
Responsibilities of scientific editors	The primary responsibilities of our scientific editors include carefully checking the entire manuscript and all accompanying materials for: (1) errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation and wording; (2) suitability of tables, figures, figure data and legends; (3) accurate and appropriate presentation of symbols (<i>e.g.</i> +, -, ×, \div , %, *) in tables and figures; and (4) complete and comprehensive revision of the manuscript	
Publication process	according to the reviewers' comments. Manuscript reception and registration→Initial review by scientific editor→Peer review→End of peer review→First round of meeting evaluation→To be accepted→Revision by the author(s)→Second round of meeting evaluation→To be accepted/revised/rejected→Final review by the Editor-in-Chief (final quality control for academic content and language quality)→Final acceptance and charging of publication fee→Language editing→Production→Proofreading by scientific editor→Proofreading by deputy editor→Final review by Editor-in-Chief→Release of online open-access papers in electronic form on the BPG website→Release of online papers on PubMed Central→Delivery of high-quality PDF reprints to the author(s)→End of the publication process.	