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## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This paper gave an overview on the drug delivery systems of Curcumin combating digestive tract tumors in order to further reduce the toxic side effects of Curcumin-containing drugs. In addition, the development of Curcumin delivery systems can significantly enhance the targeting and long-circulating effects of the drugs. The topic is interesting and the information is up to date. However, in my opinion, this manuscript still needs minor revision before considering publication. My detailed comments are: 1) The chapter title is not obvious in this review. This may not affect the final publication format, but it caused some trouble to my reading. 2) In Section of Nanoparticles, magnetic nanoparticles are important candidate that should be discussed.



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This is a progress review in the topic of drug delivery systems for Curcumin in the treatment of gastrointestinal tumors. It covers multiple types of drug delivery systems including polymer, liposomes, microspheres, nanoparticles, nanogel, and cyclodextrin, and the writing quality is high. As a review article, this paper would be helpful for researchers to understand current trends of drug delivery systems of Curcumin. Overall, I did find the manuscript is informative and worthy for the publication in this journal. I have a few minor comments. 1. The authors nicely summarized multiple types of drug delivery systems of Curcumin in this manuscript. However, only the text is not easy to understand for the readers. A summary table of different drug delivery systems is helpful to improve this review. 2. Some repeated contents should be simplified, for example, the full name of VEGF (vascular endothelial growth factor) appeared twice. 3. The authors should unify the single and plural of the chapter titles, e.g., Polymer, Liposomes, and Microspheres et al.