

Reviewer #1:

Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

Conclusion: Minor revision

Specific Comments to Authors: "Role of Oncostatin M in the prognosis of inflammatory bowel disease: A meta-analysis" is an interesting manuscript which is comprehensive and well analyzed. Conclusion of the manuscript that OSM is a potential candidate for determining the severity of disease and predicting the outcomes of anti-tumor necrosis factor-based therapies in IBD patients is rationale. However, in Introduction section (pp 4) operation rate in Crohn's disease is discussed but reference is very weak, so concerning the initial surgery rate, please refer to the literature below for the initial operation rate in patients with Crohn's disease (J Gastroenterol Hepatol 2015;30(12):1713-9.) Long-term course of Crohn's disease in Japan: Incidence of complications, cumulative rate of initial surgery, and risk factors at diagnosis for initial surgery This paper stated; In all 520 patients, the rate was 32% after 5 years, 55% after 10 years, 70% after 15 years, and 82% after 20 years. (i) Stenosis and fistula increased with time, with stenosis or fistula appearing in about half of the patients after 5 years. (ii) The patient factors at diagnosis of current smoker, upper gastrointestinal disease, stricturing, penetrating, moderate to severe stenosis of the jejunum, moderate to severe stenosis of the ileum, and moderate to severe stenosis of the terminal ileum were risk factors for initial surgery.

Response: Thanks for your valuable comments. This information is updated by using relevant contents from the indicated research article.

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Authors must revise the manuscript according to the Editorial Office's comments and suggestions, which are listed below:

(1) Science editor:

The manuscript has been peer-reviewed, and it is ready for the first decision.

Response: Thanks for your comments.

(2) Company editor-in-chief:

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Response: Thanks for your valuable comments. We have revised.