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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 9072-review.doc).

Title: Significance of feeding dysfunction in eosinophilic esophagitis

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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

Reviewer 1

1. Did the children present any atypical manifestations outside the digestive tract?
Patient 2 had a history of asthma and patient 3 had a history of cat allergy and allergic rhinitis.
This is now included in the text.
2. What kind of allergens were identified in the three children
Patient 1- egg and peanut
Patient 3- sesame, nuts and bananas.
This is now included in the text.
3. Which was the disease behavior in the long-term?
All patients remain on treatment and are growing and thriving.

Reviewer 2

- (1) For the treatment, allergic directed elimination diet (ADED) is described in case #1 & #3.
Which tests are performed to guide the choice of diet?
Immunocap and skin prick testing were performed to identify ADED
This is now included in the manuscript.
- (2) And why there is no ADED for case #2?
The family did not want to pursue ADED.
- (3) The dosage and duration of corticosteroid therapy should be mentioned.
Dosages are provided in the table and all patients continue on treatment.

(4) Is there any relapse case at the end of the treatment course in the present series?
No relapses have been identified.

3. References and typesetting were corrected

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

Sincerely yours,

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