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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

-English should be revised throughout the whole text: the authors should remove typing errors and revise the punctuation. -In the part MICROBIOTA AND IBS, when the authors use the example of IBD, they should motivate their claim with appropriate citations. -About Putative mechanisms of action of probiotics, in the subgroups Gastrointestinal dysmotility, Epithelial barrier/Intestinal inflammation/Immune activation, Dysfunction of brain-gut axis and psychological distress it would be more interesting to evaluate the effects of the various species of probiotics, as it has been done in the other subgroups. -In the part PREBIOTICS, it would be more interesting to discuss also the possible role of FODMAP diet, evaluating the effects on the modifications of gut microbiota.



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1)The authors did a wide literature survey. However the following issues should also be discussed; microbiota- expression of pattern recognition receptors- hypothalamus-pituitary-adrenal stress axis and breakdown of the mucosal barrier- modulation neuro-immune signalling, modulation of enteric neurons, visceral hypersensitivity and altered colonic motility. 2)Also there are only 7 references in this review related to fecal transplantation. This issue should also be discussed in more details as this is one of the most recent treatment alternative. 3)The reference numbers should be checked. 4)There are minor grammatical and spelling errors.