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## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors pointed out the important role of the molecular role of ncRNAs in Barrett's carcinogenesis. However, there are some revisions which I think the authors should consider 1. I am very interested the advantages of the analysis of ncRNAs compared with other secondary prevention strategies. 2. Are there any relevant clinical trials carried out? Whether the analysis of ncRNAs is feasible and convenient to perform in practice? 3. The quality of English needs to be improved.



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This editorial article aims to provide an overview of the role of non-coding RNAs, focusing on miRNAs, on the carcinogenic transformation of the oesophageal mucosa. The authors should try to focus and comment more on the information that is presented in the research article that the editorial is about. Additionally, apart from miRNA up- or down- regulation are there any data on the exact molecular mechanisms that may drive carcinogenesis in the pre-cancerous oesophageal mucosa? The term in vitro stability is not clear, please elaborate more on that. From the data that are presented in this article it is not clear how research on miRNA molecules can specifically affect the therapeutic approaches and decision making in BM patients. Maybe examples from other relevant applications might help.