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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
It is a well written and documented review

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[ ] Grade D (Fair)	[ ] Grade D: rejected	BPG Search:	[Y] Minor revision
[ ] Grade E (Poor)		[ ] Existed	[ ] Major revision
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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
This is a well structured, comprehensive review of the topic. There are some recent references which should be added to make your review as current as possible: 1) Melek J, Sakuraba A. 2013 Efficacy and Safety of Medical Therapy for Low Bone-Mineral Density in Patients with Inflammatory Bowel Disease: a Meta-Analysis and Systematic Review. 2) Miznerova E, et al The prevalence and risk factors for osteoporosis in patients with inflammatory bowel disease. 3) Ananthakrishnan AN. Environmental risk factors for inflammatory bowel disease. 4) Boyd CA, Limdi JK. Vitamin D deficiency and disease outcomes in South Asian patients with IBD. 5) Blanck S, Aberra F. Vitamin d deficiency is associated with ulcerative colitis disease activity. and others from 2013 where appropriate.

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[Y] Grade B (Very good)	[ ] Grade B: minor language polishing	[ ] Existed	[ ] High priority for publication
[ ] Grade C (Good)	[ ] Grade C: a great deal of language polishing	[ ] No records	[ ]Rejection
[ ] Grade D (Fair)	[ ] Grade D: rejected	BPG Search:	[ ] Minor revision
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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
This is a nicely written review on a important condition IBD and role of vit D in its treatment covering up to date literature.

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[ ] Grade D (Fair)		BPG Search:	[ ]Rejection
[ ] Grade E (Poor)	[ ] Grade D: rejected	[ ] Existed	[ ] Minor revision
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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
Dear Editor in chief I've read and reviewed the manuscript "The role of vitamin D in improving inflammatory bowel disease outcomes: a basic science and clinical review ". This topic is an interesting topic in field of autoimmune diseases and its impact is obvious. I believe that it is written well and the harmonization of review is well organized. Considering scientific and linguistic points this article is acceptable and can be consider for publication.

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
Reich and colleagues present a nice review on the role of vitamin D in IBD. It is well written and well focused on the theme. My main criticism concerns the lack of any new vision on the role of vit.D in IBD. There is a substantial discrepancy between the in vitro data, that are exciting, and those of clinical trials that are poor. The conclusions of the manuscript add little or nothing if compared to older articles on the subject. Finally, Figure 1 is certainly one of the most explanatory figures regarding vitamin D metabolism. But it is dated and well known to all those who have studied, even marginally, vitamin D.