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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This work assessed the patterns of the fungome in children with and without Crohn disease. Specific Comments 1. The authors focus their work and the results arising as changes in the fungal patterns to be predictive of CD. I would interpret their results as showing that there are differences between the fungome in children with active CD than

in control children without CD. The concept of prediction is not shown by these data 2. The ABSTRACT has many details: does the abstract fit within the journal word limit? If not, there are many places where the abstract could be shortened 3. The INTRODUCTION includes the numbers of the subjects enrolled: these are results and should only be provided in the RESULTS section. 4. The RESULTS section would benefit from subheadings 5. The RESULTS doesn't mention the details of the control subjects. 6. Also, were there no diagnoses of ulcerative colitis or IBDU in this group? 7. mucosal biopsies were used for analyses. Were there any difference between the location of the mucosal biopsies? or were these all grouped together? 8. While the authors note that it is not possible to scope well children to obtain mucosal biopsies, have the looked at stool patterns in well children (who were not undergoing colonoscopy) 9. The term "Crohn's children" should not be used (as per standard convention) - this should be replaced with "children with Crohn disease". 10. The title " Shannon index" for Figure 2 and the title for Figure 3 are not adequate. A full title should be provided, followed by any required legend 11. Table 3 is huge. Does this all need to be provided? 12. There are many errors of English language, word usage and grammar. These should all be corrected

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