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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors reviewed in a great detail about the enteric microbial proteases-mediated IBD. The subject matter is very interesting. The elucidation of the protease-induced pathogenesis is clear. The authors also pointed out the future research direction to identify the protease-producing pathogenic bacteria and the potential therapeutic targets to interfere with such pathological processes. Minor: 1, In the first paragraph of introduction, the authors pointed out that it is detrimental to disrupt the epithelial barrier. It would be better if they could briefly discuss that protection of epithelial cells and restoration of epithelial barrier integrity alleviate IBD symptoms. Such a discussion will form a strong support about their late discussion on drug targets. such evidences can be seen in the paper as : Jiang GL, Nieves A, Im WB, Old DW, Dinh DT, Wheeler L.The prevention of colitis by E Prostanoid receptor 4 agonist through enhancement of epithelium survival and regeneration.J Pharmacol Exp Ther. 2007 Jan;320(1):22-8. 2, On page 3, the last line, is that "IBS" or "IBD"? Please double check. 3, On page 13, it is hard for me to understand the following sentence, please modify: "Sppecifically, macfarlane...pancreatectomy.....that had a pancreas."



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This is a fairly comprehensive review of bacterial proteases in IBD, there are no major defects.



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Can this review be abbreviated somewhat so that the non expert can follow?



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The present paper aimed “to provide an overview of current studies that suggest potential mechanisms in which microbial proteases may play a role in the pathogenesis of IBD”. It’s a well-written paper very clear and consistent. However, I strongly suggest the authors to include a discussion section, where all the ideas could be put together and the data from different authors could be confronted. Specific comments: - Please add a reference in the end of the first paragraph of the introduction. - Please add a reference in the end of the first paragraph of page 4, before the aim. - On page 13, Figure 1, please correct the bacterial name to *P. gingivalis* (and not *P. gingaivalis*)