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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a good study and authors must modify some of the statements in the abstract. For Example one of the statements like: no association of adiponectin and CRC and the meta-analysis results showed a significant inverse association between adiponectin and CRC. Materials and Methods Modify the first abatement as shown below: Blood samples were collected from the patients and the healthy individuals. Separated serum from the blood samples were stored at -20°C for the further analysis. Modify as shown Serum levels of adiponectin were determined by Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) (AdipoMark, Korea) as per the manufacturers instructions with a sensitivity of 1.39 ng/ml, and an intra-assay coefficient of variation of 4.1-5.9%. ELISA (Enzo Life Science, USA) was used to measure leptin with a sensitivity of 23.4 pg/ml, and an intra-assay coefficient of variation of 4.4-13.4%. Resistin levels were measured using resistin (human) ELISA kit (Adipogen, Switzerland) with a sensitivity of 100 pg/ml, and an intra-assay coefficient of variation 2.86-3.73%. Delete the last sentence. Mention about the cut of age range. Also mention the inclusion and exclusion criteria. Did ethical approval was taken to conduct this study. If yes give the details.



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The text is written quite rocky and rough and needs to be improved quite a bit. How did the authors exclude CRC in the controls? What did they use for serological testing for CRC ? The p-values are missing in table 2 for resistin. In the statistical analysis I think the t-test should be used for the continuous variables and the x-test for categorical variables. In the figures of the meta-analysis the p-values are not included. In the discussion please stress that the results do not show a causal relationship of the associations.