

ESPS Peer-review Report

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Title: Irritable bowel syndrome: a disease still searching for pathogenesis, diagnosis and therapy

Reviewer code: 00028580

Science editor: Ya-Juan Ma

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a nicely written but exhaustive review in IBS. It is perhaps better suited for a chapter in a GI book rather than a manuscript in the WJG

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this manuscript, the authors discussed the pathophysiological, the diagnostic and therapeutic approaches available for patients with symptoms possibly related to IBS (Irritable bowel syndrome), stating controversial issues and the strengths and weaknesses of the current knowledge in IBS by citing numerous references in recent years. In addition, this manuscript was clearly written and logically presented. so I suggest that this manuscript can be accepted after minor revision.

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The review manuscript submitted by Bellini et al discusses the diagnosis and current treatment approaches for IBS in a very comprehensive and well-organized manner. There are little corrections needed aside from including a brief section on methodology that includes mention of which sources were used to retrieve and evaluate information. Also, some alternative approaches should be discussed a bit further - especially in regards to herbal therapies such as peppermint oil and Iberogast or cognitive behavior therapy. If these additions are being made then the article is very well suited for publication in WJG.

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a very good article review about IBS. However, it is very long. That would be the goal of the editors, when they made the invitation to the author? It would be a review article for the special issue celebrating the 20th anniversary of World Journal of Gastroenterology ?If so, the content and the number of pages of the article would be suitable for publication.

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The manuscript is a well written and orderly organized review on clinical IBS diagnosis and management. Length is appropriate and all most important topics concerning IBS have been considered. Minor comments In order to help the review process, page numbers and line numbers would have been needed. There are a few typos to be corrected all around the manuscript. The words "bifidobacteria", "lactobacilli", "clostridia" do not need capital letter.