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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an interesting paper assessing the immunomodulatory effect of butein in experimental colitits. Comments; 1. The research methodology is acceptable, but authors should add animal numbers per group and provide some numeric data in the text. A 5 animal per group is barely acceptable (a minimum of 7 animals is the limit for statistical analysis), thus please confirm that there were repeated experiments with similar results. 2. Have authors also assessed clinical outcomes, like colon length or animal weight. This is again essential for proving a clinical efficacy. 3. Authors should also study other animal models (e.g. DSS colitis) to prove a beneficial effect in different settings.

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Piroxicam-accelerated colitis in IL-10 -/- rodent model is a relatively new but reliable model of Crohn's disease. The authors have tested a new plant polyphenol-butein in this model to test whether butein will cause any amelioration or not. There are methodological and technical shortcomings but despite these I believe this study is original and deserves to be published due its original idea and interesting findings.