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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an interesting paper. The results are clear and well described

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The manuscript is well written, concise and comprises all necessary information. However, there are few sentences that are difficult to understand and would need revision. Page 4 at the bottom: "The contribution of the NOD2 gene polymorphisms to CD has been studied in Caucasian populations and the risk of CD conferred by heterozygous and homozygous/compound heterozygous mutant genotypes has been evaluated to be 1,5-3 fold and 10-44 fold, respectively [15-19]." Page 8 first line: "From the first cohort including 770 IBD patients consulted for the first time in the Department of Gastroenterology at the Maillot University Hospital of Algiers, between January 1988 and December 2008, the incidence rate for IBD ranges from 0.5 to 2 cases/105/year, with an average rate of 1.2. From the second cohort including 132 IBD patients (86 CD and 46 UC), the mean age of the patients at diagnosis was 25.28±14.85 and 36,86±12,30 years for CD and UC, respectively." I also suggest adding explanation in the bottom of the Table 4 and 5: Table 4: explain what the sign -/- in the second line means Table 5: last two columns of Algeria lines contain sign - . Please, explain what this sign means.