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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Bariatric surgery is the only option currently available for substantial and sustained weight loss. Like any other treatment, bariatric surgery is not free from side effects. Diarrhoea is the most frequently observed sequel of bariatric surgery. The review is adequately composed encompassing all aspects of probable etiology behind post-bariatric diarrhoea and its treatment protocols. Regarding the association between gut microbiome shift and post-bariatric diarrhoea, type of bacteria involved in shifting (e.g. shifting from Firmicutes to Gammaproteobacteria) may be elucidated with possible individual role in production of diarrhoea.



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This manuscript appears as a very well written, interesting and comprehensive review of causes, diagnosis and therapeutic management of chronic diarrhea after bariatric surgery. The topic is of high importance, given the huge amount of bariatric surgery procedures across the world. The paper describes in detail and clearly the current available evidence about the topic and its scientific quality is good. The structure of the manuscript is interesting and nicely approached: introduction; eating habits and lifestyle changes; surgical procedures (sleeve gastrectomy, proximal and distal roux-y gastric bypass, biliopancreatic diversion with duodenal switch); bowel habit changes after bariatric surgery (especially diarrhea); short bowel syndrome; malabsorption of carbohydrates (lactose, fructose); protein-losing enteropathy; endocrine disorders; microbiota and small intestinal bacterial overgrowth; Clostridium difficile; addictive disorders; vagotomy; bile acid malabsorption; exocrine pancreatic insufficiency; dumping syndrome; unmasked underlying intestinal diseases (IBD, celiac disease and IBS) and conclusion. I would add that such a review is really needed nowadays and the



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information provided in this paper will definitely benefit readers. Also, the manuscript is nicely written (including the English language), in an elegant manner, easily to be followed. Figures are illustrative. References are pertinent and up to date; most of them are very recent. I would suggest one minor correction: There are some missing data about references in the SIBO section, which appear in the main text (Sabate 2016 , Schwiertz 2010, Jeppesen 1999, Andalib 2015, Choung 2011), but not in the reference section.