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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The manuscript by Zhou et al. demonstrated that the inhibitory effect of patchouli alcohol on isolated stress-induced rat colon. This study was well designed and the results of it were interesting. There is an issue that should be addressed prior to the publication in "World Journal of Gastroenterology" In this study, the male SD rats after a 14-day wrap-restraints periods were defined as IBS-D model rats. How are the characteristics of these rats' stool? The detailed reason for regarding these rats as IBS-D model should be described in introduction or discussion.