



PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I have some suggestions for this editorial, as follow: - The title could be more informative about the central topic of editorial. - Accordingly, the authors should clearly state the aim of this editorial. - One figure schematically summarizing the picture that the author tried to provide to describe the multiple factors modulating bowel inflammation, should be drafted. - I think the authors should re-organize the manuscript in subsections specific to each domain (host genetics, microbiome, immunological factors, environmental triggers, others). Basically, this editorial should be more structured. - The author focuses on the immunomodulatory role of vitamin D. However, several other factors should be discussed, including IgA role (which is in turn related to the host genome: The Role of HLA in the Association between IgA Deficiency and Celiac Disease. *Dis Markers*. 2021 Dec 13;2021:8632861. doi: 10.1155/2021/8632861) or innate molecules/cells (e.g. Gut Microbiota, Inflammatory Bowel Disease, and Cancer: The Role of Guardians of Innate Immunity. *Cells*. 2023 Nov 19;12(22):2654. doi: 10.3390/cells12222654), for instance, which may play a different role in different diseases. - The role of gut microbiome should be discussed in specific gut diseases, wherein the



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evidence for a disease signature is variable, but where the effect on the gut inflammation is plausible (refer to: *Front Pediatr.* 2021 Apr 22;9:652208. doi: 10.3389/fped.2021.652208; *immunology.* 2024 Jan 4. doi: 10.1111/imm.13749. Epub ahead of print; *Mini Rev Med Chem.* 2023;23(13):1376-1389. doi: 10.2174/1389557522666220914093331) - The conclusion should highlight the novel message and/or hypothesis that the author would like to communicate.



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The editorial page of the current manuscript covers the issue of gastric problems, including the incidence of bowel syndrome, and its pathogenetic aspects. This article adheres to the journal style and includes current references. It would be great if the author includes major genes involved in the initiation and progression of the disease to highlight the relevance of the genome. Additionally, it would be helpful to identify the up and downregulatory signaling molecules involved in the Vit D signaling pathway. Lastly, it's worth noting that this article could be considered a small review article rather than an editorial page.