

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

On the whole, the study design and execution is well done and interesting in that it uniquely outlines potential risk factors for early-onset CRC by comparing a cohort of



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later-onset CRC ( $\geq 50$  years) as well as control cohort defined as individuals 25-49 years without diagnosis of CRC within the same timeline. That is significant for early CRC screening. However, there are some small issues in this manuscript. 1. There are some spelling and grammatical errors throughout the manuscript. Please revise carefully. 2. The part of "MATERIALS AND METHODS": to be more clear, it needs to be divided into some subsections with subheadings.

#### **INITIAL REVIEW OF THE MANUSCRIPT**

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