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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The study is of significance but the sample contents are relative small, which is recommended to expand twice.

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The oral bioavailability of curcumin is very low. Why don't you use an enema or a stuffed anus?

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The manuscript entitled "Low dose oral curcumin is not effective in induction of remission in mild to moderate ulcerative colitis: results from a randomized double blind placebo controlled trial" is a well-designed clinical study which highlights the fact that low dose of curcumin is not of any therapeutic benefit to patients suffering from UC and clearly shows that oral curcumin at a dose of 450 mg a day was ineffective in inducing remission or attaining clinical response. The most important take home message is that. Higher doses with effective modes of delivery are required for optimal efficacy of curcumin. Thus publication of this finding will encourage researcher to device advanced drug delivery strategies for delivery of curcumin to achieve desired therapeutic benefit to the patients suffering from UC. The authors need to add some information regarding colon targeting strategies in UC and how advanced drug delivery systems can improve the outcome for patients. There are several typos and some grammar mistakes, if advise the authors use editorial software such as grammarly to rectify these mistakes.