

ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (Dietary habits 6741-review.doc).

Title: Dietary habits of colorectal neoplasia patients in comparison to their first-degree relatives

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Thank you very much for your comments and suggestions.

The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1. Format has been updated, core tip and comment section have been added, title and references were corrected according to guidelines for brief article
2. English language was edited by recommended editing company, certificate was sent to Editorial Office
3. Both our hypothesis were stated at the beginning of the manuscript, in Introduction section
4. The evaluation of the homogeneity of the various populations using chi square test was added to Table1
5. Uniqueness of our study regarding no proven association of colorectal cancer and dietary habits was discussed in Discussion section
6. In Conclusion it was stated that modification of screening guidelines according to sex could probably improve efficiency of screening programme but further studies are needed to support this hypothesis
7. The different mean ages of various groups were discussed in limitations of the study in Discussion, of course it is weakness of our study and age and gender

matching the controls to the cases could help us

8. The method of collecting data about dietary habits was described in Method section
9. The comment about gut microbiome was shortened

Thank you again for considering our manuscript for possible publication in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kajrlikova', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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