

The authors would like to take this opportunity to thank the reviewers for their time and attention to this manuscript. Our responses to your comments are set forth below.

**Revise AIM to no more than 20 words.**

The authors have revised AIM to no more than 20 words.

**Add Core Tip.**

The authors have added a Core Tip.

**Provide Audio Core Tip.**

The authors have provided audio core.

**Reformat all reference numbers to superscript with brackets.**

The citations have been formatted to superscript with brackets.

**Please define the average-risk population explicitly and specify this at the earlier part of the manuscript.**

The authors have added a comprehensive explanation of average-risk to the introduction - page 6.

**It would be more informative if the authors can describe the age and gender-stratified incidence rates of colorectal cancer in the general population.**

The authors have added colorectal cancer incidence rates stratified by age and gender for the general population of the U.S. This information is in the second paragraph of the discussion section on page 12 of the manuscript.

For your ease we have highlighted these areas noted above in yellow.

We respectfully submit these edits and hope that they have strengthened the manuscript and addressed the reviewers' concerns and comments. We look forward to your response and are open to further considerations, if needed.

Best regards,

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