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**Dear Editor,**

On behalf of all co-authors I would like to thank you and the reviewers for the constructive comments that guided us in the revision of the solicited manuscript with Reference number ESPS Manuscript NO: 33372 (Colorectal cancer and the promising role of primary care physicians: literature review) by Hadjipetrou A et al.

Please find attached the revised version of our manuscript and a point by point response on the comments raised by the reviewer. Taking into account your suggestion we have requested a language certificate from FILIPODIA. I would like to inform you that after receiving back the manuscript from FILIPODIA we have inserted the citations requested by the reviewer 2 in the unlocked version.

Potential publication of our article, in the journal, would be a great honour for our study group. I would be grateful if you could inform me of any additional information that you might require.

We look forward to hearing from you.

**Yours Sincerely,**

**Dr Christos Galanakis MD PhD**

## **Replies to Reviewer #1**

*This is a well done comprehensive review on Colorectal cancer. The topic discusses risk factors for CRC along with reviewing data on the different cancer screening and detection tests. My only comment is on the title, which does not seem to correlate with the majority of the paper. The manuscript does not really focus on the role of primary care physicians in colorectal cancer screening. As such I would suggest the authors change to title to reflect that this paper is more a review of CRC and screening methods*

We would like to thank the reviewer for your kind words. We have modified the title as suggested. Furthermore language certificate from FILIPODIA is provided.

## **Replies to Reviewer #2**

*Dear Authors, Thanks for the valuable opportunity to read this beautiful piece on Colorectal Carcinoma. I regard this article to be of high interest to the Baishideng - World Journal of Gastroenterology target audience, decent methodological quality and posing important research questions. However I would recommend strengthening of its evidence base. Reference list should be expanded on certain places in text to include a body of high profile published evidence on this particular sort of cancer and parts of GBD Project led by the University of Washington, IHME CHTF. For this purpose I am uploading a revised manuscript with these exact recommended citations marked yellow in text and marginal comments. Conditional to adoption of this minor quality improvement I would like to warmly embrace the paper for publishing in Baishideng - World Journal of Gastroenterology. Best regards, Peer Reviewer*

I would like to thank you for your kind reply and your comments. All suggested references are included in the revised version of our manuscript.