Reviewer #1:

Specific Comments to Authors: The authors compared with healthy subjects the fecal NMR metabolomic profiles of patients with colorectal cancer or adenomatous polyposis in order to characterize the variations between the groups and potentially recognize some diagnostic markers. They found some metabolites, such as acetate, butyrate, propionate, 3-hydroxyphenylacetic acid, valine, tyrosine and leucine are different in each group. These results provide a new direction for future studies. Some suggestion: 1.The content of Table 1 is too simple to judge whether the baselines of each group are similar. It is recommended to add information such as race and personal history into the table, and the P value of each group. 2. The format of the reference number need to be revised.[6],[7],[8]should be [6-8]

Major comments: none.

Minor comments:

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<u>Reply:</u> we thank the reviewer for the right suggestion we have provided to insert additional information into the Table 1

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Reply: as rightly suggested from the reviewer, we have revised the reference number