

Reviewer suggestion: Thus, stronger antibiotics recommended in the conclusion of the manuscript should be further investigated.

Author answer: We thank the reviewer for his/her comments. The language in the manuscript has been changed to reflect the comments of the reviewer. We have suggested that stronger antibiotics should be further investigated based on the results of our study.

Reviewer suggestion: As the authors also collect socio-demographic data like weight and height of the patients and EMR information on patients' comorbidities in this study, it will be more captivating if the authors can investigate the contribution of BMI or metabolic comorbidity to severity of CDI, and test the link between nutrition disorder and CDI.

Author answer: We thank the reviewer for his/her comments. We have added BMI to the patient characteristics and have tested the link between severity and BMI of our study population. We have now presented this in a table format (table 5). Further it has been added to the results section of the text.

Editor Comments: PMID and DOI numbers are missing in the reference list. Please provide the PubMed numbers and DOI citation numbers to the reference list and list all authors of the references.

Author answer: We thank the editor for his/her comments. We have added the PMID and DOI numbers to the reference list.