

Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format, (file name: 19462).

Title: Neuroimaging the brain-gut axis in patients with irritable bowel syndrome.

Authors: Kristen R. Weaver,^{1, 2} LeeAnne B. Sherwin,¹ Brian Walitt,³ Gail D'Eramo Melkus,² and Wendy A. Henderson^{1*}

Name of Journal: *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Pharmacology and Therapeutics*

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The manuscript has been revised according to the reviewers' and editor's comments:

- A. Response to Reviewer # 1: Thank you for the kind review. We are pleased that you find our manuscript suitable for publication. As no revisions were suggested, no revisions were performed.
- B. Responses to Editor's suggestions:
 - 1. Conflict of interest statement moved to title page as suggested.
 - 2. Manuscript type changed from review to mini review per guidelines.
 - 3. Telephone and fax numbers include country code in addition to numbers.
 - 4. Abstract format changed to one paragraph per guide to authors.
 - 5. The full names of the following were inserted as recommended: L HIPPI, ACC, MCC, AMG, aINS, pINS and PFC.
 - 6. fMRI is now spelled out per editor's recommendations.
 - 7. An Audio Core Tip has been created.
 - 8. The citation for this article was inserted following the audio core tip.
 - 9. Niddam, Tsai, Lu, Ko & Hsieh has been changed to Niddam et al as recommended.
 - 10. Period in et al. removed throughout manuscript. See highlighted.
 - 11. "Acknowledgements" section deleted; text combined with "Supported by" text.
 - 12. First author bolded throughout reference list per editor guidelines.
- C. Author's revisions noted below to enhance the manuscript for publication:
 - 1. Page 1, first paragraph: "25%" removed based on primary reference information.
 - 2. Page 5, second paragraph: "quality of life" changed to "leisure time", new reference #8 inserted.

3. Page 6, first paragraph: first sentence re-worded, reference #10 revised.
4. Page 6, second paragraph: "hypothalamus" changed to "thalamus", "infragenua" changed to "cingulate cortex" and "amygdala" deleted, "prefrontal cortex" inserted.
5. Page 6, third paragraph: "mid cingulate cortex" and "amygdala" spelled out.
6. Page 20, first paragraph: an erroneous word "were" was removed.

D. Initial data from this review was delivered as an oral presentation during the Eastern Nursing Research Society conference in April, 2015; the conference abstract was published in *Nursing Research*, 64, E134.

Thank you again for this publishing opportunity. Please let us know if any issues require further clarification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Wendy A. Henderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the last name.

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