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Title: Influence of Ketotifen, Cromolyn Sodium, and Compound 48/80 on the survival rates after intestinal ischemia reperfusion injury in rats

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Dear Hans Zauner:

We are glad to be received the comments, and we revised the paper according to the advices very carefully.

1. The main object in this paper was to observe the survival rate after administrated with Ketotifen, Cromolyn Sdium(CS), and Compound 48/80(CP)

2. Dr. Igor Sukhotnik advised that we should detect more profound parameters about intestinal mucosa, lung, myocard, and liver injury. We appreciated the advices, and we thought about it when we began the study, however, we focused the survival rate for there was not enough money to do the profound determination, so we selected some parameters according to the reference (Kalia N, Brown NJ, Wood RF, Pockley AG: *Ketotifen abrogates local and systemic consequences of rat intestinal ischemia-reperfusion injury*. Journal of gastroenterology and hepatology 2005, 20(7):1032-1038).

3. We detected the parameters in the survival rats of at the 3rd day after intestinal ischemia, the intestinal mucosa is one of the best recovered organs according to the report (Chang JX, Chen S, Ma LP, Jiang LY, Chen JW, Chang RM, Wen LQ, Wu W, Jiang ZP, Huang ZT: *Functional and morphological changes of the gut barrier during the restitution process after hemorrhagic shock*. World J Gastroenterol 2005, 11(35):5485-91). That can explain why there were unchanged intestinal injury score in the 3rd after 75 min of ischemia.

4. We will do the study about the mechanism when we have enough money in future since we found the interesting results.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any problems or questions regarding my paper.

Sincerely yours,

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