Reviewer’s report

Title: p53 expression in patients with ulcerative colitis - associated with dysplasia and carcinoma: a systematic meta-analysis

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Xiaohong and colleagues provided a meta-analysis for p53 expression in patients with ulcerative colitis - associated with dysplasia and carcinoma. This is an interesting paper with clinical significance. However, this paper needs minor revision.

1. The major defect is that the author should define this paper as specific meta-analysis or system review. Because the paper includes studies with large heterogeneity, the type of this paper may be system review although some kind of meta-analysis is used in this paper.

2. Due to the heterogeneity of enrolled studies, the authors need include subgroup analysis in addition to the ethnicity. That is, the authors should included novel aspects in this meta-analysis to reduce the statistic bias for the whole meta-analysis.

3. The definition for "different types of UC is not so accurate. Does this definition stands for Mentreal Classification? Or the authors need to use other statement.

4. The language needs minor modification by English-native colleagues.

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