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1 Original submission

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Referee 1 Reviewer

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The manuscript holds promise for making a positive impact on patient health in the future, thanks to the authors' meticulous work. I encourage the authors to address the outlined points and resubmit the manuscript in adherence to the journal's guidelines. Your understanding and cooperation in this regard are highly appreciated.

Referee 2 Reviewer

MINOR REVISION 5 Dec 2023

Dear authors,
I reviewed the article and have a question. The latest joint guideline of ESPGHAN and NASPGHAN, titled “the use of fecal calprotectin testing in pediatric disorders” (April 2021), recommends the use of fecal calprotectin to identify GI involvement in children with HSP in the absence of overt bleeding. Why didn't you use this parameter too?

Associate Editor

MINOR REVISION 5 Dec 2023

Dear EIC,
Thanks to the authors and appreciation to the researchers. The manuscript presents valuable research. But some revisions are needed. The authors should revise it based on the comments. Also, a minor change should be made in the abstract:
A summary of the statistical analysis results should be mentioned in the results section.

Editor-in-Chief

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Dear Author,
Thank you for submitting the article. It needs some revision. Please revise it based on the reviewers' and AE's comments.

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Revision 1

AUTHORS' RESPONSE TO REVIEWERS

Authors' reply to reviewers

The next pages contain the authors' point-by-point reply to the comments of this revision round, as submitted with the revised manuscript. It is published as the authors wrote it.

Dear reviewers,

Thank you for considering our manuscript for publication in your esteemed journal. We appreciate the time and effort put in by the reviewers in providing valuable feedback on our work. We have carefully considered their comments and made necessary revisions to address the concerns raised.

Dear reviewer 1, since our study was retrospective and most of the patients' files were collected retrospectively, Calprotectin was not checked for them during that period. For this reason, we did not include calprotectin in this study. In some cases, calprotectin was checked, since it was checked from different laboratories, and this made it impossible to take the results of calprotectin into account in these patients. If we conduct a study in the future, calprotectin must be checked in a single laboratory for all patients, so we can include that in the study.

Dear reviewer 2, we have processed all the comments and edited the article, highlighting the parts of the change with yellow highlights.

Dear associate editor 1, we added a summary of the statistical analysis to the results of the article.

We believe that our study adds significant value to the existing literature on the topic, and we are confident that it will be of interest to your readers. As a medicine researcher, I have dedicated myself to this field and am passionate about contributing to the advancement of medical knowledge. The opportunity to publish our research in your journal would be an honor and a valuable milestone in my academic journey.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, corresponding author

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2 Revision 1

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Referee 2 Reviewer

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I am pleased with the recent edit of the article, and I think it has enough value to be published.

Associate Editor

ACCEPT 6 Jan 2024

Dear EIC,
I reviewed the manuscript again. The great effort in improving the manuscript is highly appreciated.
The authors have addressed all comments.
Thank you

Editor-in-Chief

ACCEPT 6 Jan 2024

Dear Authors.
Thanks for your valuable efforts in carefully revising the manuscript.