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ARTICLE DETAILS

TITLE (PROVISIONAL)	Bowel Ischaemia in COVID-19 Infection: A scoping review protocol
AUTHORS	Zhao, Yi; Teh, Jhia Jiat; Kung, Victor; Mallappa, Sreelakshmi

VERSION 1 – REVIEW

REVIEWER	Galanopoulos, Michail
	401 General Military Hospital of Athens
REVIEW RETURNED	13-Feb-2022
GENERAL COMMENTS	Well-written study protocol with interesting outcomes to be investigated. It is well-organized with to the point research objectives.

REVIEWER	Norsa, Lorenzo ASST Papa Giovanni XXIII
REVIEW RETURNED	19-Apr-2022

GENERAL COMMENTS	Dear authors thanks for your effort in trying to clarify the small bowel ischemia characteristics during COVID -19.
	I have just two small remarks: - Reference 15-16 are not appropriate, I would change it with

REVIEWER	Gholamrezanezhad, Ali USC Keck School of Medicine, Radiology
REVIEW RETURNED	18-Jun-2022

GENERAL COMMENTS	I had the pleasure to review the manuscript entitled"". The manuscript is well written. I would like to invite the authors to consider the following revisions:
	- It would be great if the authors try to understand and identify the risk factors associated with gastrointestinal ischemic complications of COVOID-19. For example is older age, history of CAD, atherosclerosis of aorta, DM, HTN, etc are associated with a higher risk ogf these complications?

VERSION 1 – AUTHOR RESPONSE

Reviewer: 1 Dr. Michail Galanopoulos, 401 General Military Hospital of Athens Comments to the Author: Well-written study protocol with interesting outcomes to be investigated. It is well-organized with to the point research objectives.

We thank Dr Galanpoulos for the comments.

Reviewer: 2 Dr. Lorenzo Norsa, ASST Papa Giovanni XXIII Comments to the Author: Dear authors thanks for your effort in trying to clarify the small bowel ischemia characteristics during COVID -19.

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We thank Dr Norsa for the comments. We have updated references 15 and 16 to closely align with the statement of high mortality rates of bowel ischaemia in the context of Covid-19. This is reflected in red-coloured text between line 183-187.

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Dr. Ali Gholamrezanezhad, USC Keck School of Medicine Comments to the Author:

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We thank Dr. Gholamrezanezhad for the comments. Table 1 illustrates the type of data to be collected in our scoping review. This will include the patient demographics (item 4) and other medical conditions, if reported by the included study (item 6). We have specify the medical history of the included patients further in item 6. This is reflected by the red-coloured text.