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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The paper is well constructed and discussed: conclusion are coherent with data obtained.



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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors do a meta-analysis of the effect of a 5-HT4 agonist (mosapride) on complaints of GERD as addition to PPI treatment in those patients not controlled on PPIs. The methodology in terms of choosing the studies, the statistical techniques and the tools for determining the risk of bias were robust. The writing style is good as is the English grammar. The fact that mosapride is not yet available in Europe and the USA makes this study more relevant giving physicians some basis for the use in these countries once it is licensed.



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In this meta analysis the authors investigated the efficacy of mosapride combined with a proton pump inhibitor for the treatment of gastroesophageal reflux disease. They have concluded that mosapride might achieve better effect for the treatment of PPI-resistant reflux disease, but the combined therapy was not more effective than PPI alone as first-line therapy. COMMENTS This meta analysis has 2 arms: 1. Analysis of 4 double blind randomized studies comparing PPI alone to PPI plus mosapride. This analysis looks appropriate. 2. Analysis of 3 open studies adding mosapride to PPI, in PPI resistant patients. This analysis raises certain questions. First, the studies are neither blind not randomized. Second, in 2 out of the 3 studies (ref. No 36, 37) the investigators focused mainly on dyspeptic - dysmotility symptoms. I would suggest that the meta analysis should focus only to the first arm, removing the second arm from the manuscript.