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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The study of zinc effect on the relapse of steroid syndrome is important. The fact that the authoors could't draw any definitive conclusion is important bacause it documents the nedd of well controlled and designed studies: the review is well written and well conducted. It helps in documenting how is difficult the approach to evidence based madicine. The only concern I have is that the authors should clarify whether the study involves nephritic relapse or nephrotic relapse. The two conditions are different and the clinical implications also differ. However the terms are used in the manuscript as they should reflect the same condoition



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This is a good review paper. I think this is enjoyable paper for readers. However, some minor concerns remain. 1. There are many miss spelling about "nephrotic syndrome". In many points, i.e. page 13, etc., the authors spelled out as "nephritic syndrome". This issue should be corrected. 2. In page 14-16, there are unnecessary repeat sentences. This part should be rewritten more concisely. 3. With respect to implication of zinc deficiency in the pathogenesis of Th1 pathways depletion, a paper entitled "Dietary zinc is a key environmental modifier in the progression of IgA nephropathy" in PLoS One 2014; 9: e90558. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0090558 should be cited and discussed.