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Dear Professor,

Please find enclosed our manuscript "**Gut microbiota and neoplastic diseases of the gastrointestinal tract.**" by Dudek A., Dworzecka U., Otto-Buczowska E., which we would like to submit for the publication in *Nowotwory. Journal of Oncology* as a review article.

We would like summarize the current knowledge about the microbiome and its role in the formation of gastrointestinal tumors. This is a very interesting and important topic because use of probiotics to modify the microbiome may be beneficial in cancer therapy and intestinal microbiome analysis can be potentially used to develop non-invasive diagnostic tests.

We confirm that this manuscript has not been published elsewhere and is not under consideration by another journal. All authors have approved the manuscript and agree with its submission. The authors declare no conflict of interest. We believe our findings would appeal to the readership of *Nowotwory. Journal of Oncology*. We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

