

### Responses to Reviewer Comments

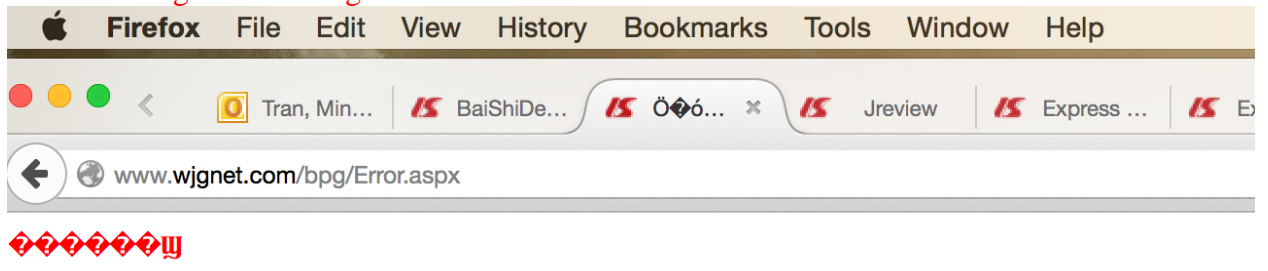
1. In the methods section you should describe methods clearly and provide adequate details of the methods used to allow a reader to repeat the research, especially explain the statistical method.
  - We have provided a detailed description of our search methods in the METHODS section.
  - Additional detail related to methods is described in the section entitled Recipient Risks Associated with Obesity. This section explains how the complications were categorized as well as sources of data and data extraction.
  - We did not perform any detailed statistical analyses that would require further explanation. Instead, we simply summarized reported complication rates as mean, median, and range. This latter issue was added as a final sentence to the METHODS section.
2. Just as important is the question of how we carry out the individualized risk assessment.
  - Surgical site complications are recognized in non-transplant surgery and obesity increases these risks. Because the benefits of kidney transplantation generally outweigh associated risks (even in the setting of obesity), we feel development of a detailed risk assessment tool would not significantly contribute to the objectives of this manuscript.
  - We did, however, strengthen our risk assessment statement in the conclusion section with regard to vigilance for NODAT risks in the pre and post transplant setting.
  - Furthermore, patients generally undergo detailed risk assessment as part of the pretransplant evaluation and the additional risks identified in our manuscript will be useful to aid in the informed consent discussion as well as to raise awareness for monitoring in the post-transplant setting.
3. What is the future research direction the review provide us?
  - We added a final sentence to manuscript stating that additional work is required to reduce surgical site complications and DGF in the setting of KTx in obesity.

### Additional Revisions

- As recommended, we revised the citation format within the text to superscript in brackets (see Tracked Changes).
- In the section reviewing post-transplant bariatric surgery, we discovered slight errors in the order of citation/references and an omitted discussion of one of the studies. These errors were corrected.
- An audio file for the Core Tip was embedded in the appropriate section of the manuscript.
- Review of Guidelines and Requirements for Manuscript Submission – MiniReview has been performed, and our manuscript adheres to all tenets.
- Authors of our manuscript have no relevant conflicts of interest to disclose.
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