

Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 3135-revised.doc).

Title: Status of autoimmune diabetes 20-years after generation of BDC2.5-TCR transgenic NOD mouse

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This is an invited article (**my ID (02446609)**). The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers and the format has been updated.

Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer. We have fully answered the three points raised by the reviewer:

- 1) The two missing references in the 3rd paragraph of page 2 of original article are included in the revised manuscript and the spelling mistake corrected (**p. 4, 2nd paragraph**).
- 2) The information about the cognate ligand for BDC2.5 T cells and references are included (**p. 5, 1st paragraph**).
- 3) References in regards to variability of efficacy among NOD are included (**p. 6, last paragraph**).

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Diabetes*

Sincerely yours,

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Attached:

- 1) final copy in word doc and pfd files
- 2) marked copy that shows changes in bold font as a pdf file
- 3) Response to reviewer critiques
- 4) Copy right agreement.
- 5) Figure 1