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Dear Editor,

Thank you very much for considering our manuscript entitled 'Challenges of Pancreas Transplantation in Developing Countries, Exploring the Turkey Example' for publication in World Journal of Transplantation.

Please be assured that all authors contributed significantly to this study and they all declare that they did not have any conflicts of interest. They also declare that the manuscript has not been published previously and has not been submitted concurrently to any other journal.

Reviewer# 02454372

This is an interesting paper related to challenges in developing countries related to the development of pancreatic transplantation. The paper is well structured and written. I have the following main comments for the authors: The paper quotes the international meeting of 40 countries but focuses mainly on Turkey. The paper will certainly benefit from some more detailed information regarding the challenges presented in other countries as well as the overall conclusions of the meeting.; especially if this is presented in a structured way like in a table. Also, the paper will be much stronger if authors from other countries participate as well.

Reviewer# 00504828

The manuscript briefly summarizes the progress of pancreatic transplantation in Turkey. As the authors stated, I agree that the outcomes of pancreatic transplantation have been dramatically improved in the past decade. I think it is pretty good to focus on the case in Turkey – however, it would be great if you can include some data comparing this case with the U.S. and/or World-wide – in that way, we may be able to see some trend (similarly or particular trends in Turkey). I guess that this would not require much effort and can also pitch additional material to discuss.

Reply: The authors believe that this manuscript is of significant importance since it contributes to the methodology of pancreas transplantation all around the World. We have added the other country data as requested by the reviewers.

Please do not hesitate to make contact with me for all correspondence regarding this manuscript.

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