

# PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Manuscript NO: 74783

Title: Semaglutide might be a key for breaking the vicious cycle of MAFLD spectrum?

Provenance and peer review: Invited Manuscript; Externally peer reviewed

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Reviewer's code: 05531699 Position: Peer Reviewer Academic degree: PhD

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Reviewer's Country/Territory: Italy

**Author's Country/Territory:** Croatia

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**Reviewer chosen by:** AI Technique

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Review time: 1 Day and 4 Hours

| Scientific quality | [ ] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Very good [ ] Grade C: Good<br>[ ] Grade D: Fair [ ] Grade E: Do not publish                           |
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| Language quality   | [Y] Grade A: Priority publishing [] Grade B: Minor language polishing [] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [] Grade D: Rejection |
| Conclusion         | [ ] Accept (High priority) [ Y] Accept (General priority) [ ] Minor revision [ ] Major revision [ ] Rejection                              |
| Re-review          | [Y]Yes [ ]No   |
| Peer-reviewer      | Peer-Review: [Y] Anonymous [ ] Onymous   |



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Conflicts-of-Interest: [ ] Yes [Y] No

### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this opinion review, the Authors discuss the potential role of semaglutide in MAFLD. The paper is really well written, and the evidence presented in support of Authors' opinions are convincing. I read the paper with great interest. can I suggest the Authors to include some charts (e.g., a table summarizing the results of clinical trials or some figures), for a communication purpose? furthermore, in the concluding paragraph, the Authors can expand on the potential role of semaglutide in the management of MAFLD, including any anticipated drawback.



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Interesting paper, despite the fact that it is not novel. I would recommend adding: 1. a more detailed comment on the association between NAFLD, MAFLD and cardiovascular disease. 2. some information on the effects of semaglutide 2.4 mg on patients with obesity and if this could have an impact on NAFLD or MAFLD 3. a table summarizing main findings of experimental studies regarding the potential pathhophysiologic mechanisms of NAFLD or MAFLD and the effects of semaglutide



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Although the authors suggested that semaglutide might be a key for breaking the vitious cycle of MAFLD spectrum, the evidence they presented for supporting their conclusion was extremely limited.



# RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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It is acceptable for publication.