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Dear Dr. Akbulut:

We thank you very much for giving us the opportunity to submit a revised draft of the manuscript "Donor risk factors in pancreas transplantation". We appreciate the time and effort that you and the reviewers dedicated to providing feedback on our manuscript.

Please, find enclosed a revised version of the manuscript which has been modified in response to the comments of the reviewers.

Below you will also find a detailed point-by-point list of the answers to the comments of the reviewers with clear indication of the changes that have been introduced in this new revised draft of the manuscript. Additionally, some minor changes have been made in order to adjust the references to the standards of publications. We would very much appreciate it if you consider that, in its present version, the manuscript is now acceptable for publication in World Journal of Transplantation.

Looking forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience,

Yours sincerely.

Dr. Luis Muñoz Bellvís

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RESPONSE TO THE REVIEWERS' COMMENTS:

Reviewer #1:

**Scientific Quality:** Grade C (Good)

**Language Quality:** Grade B (Minor language polishing)

**Conclusion:** Major revisión

**Specific Comments to Authors:** Complications in páncreas transplantation I would like to congratulate the author as the study field is important, worthwhile and justifiable. The aim of the study is built on and address donor risk factors in pancreas transplantation complications in páncreas transplantation. There are rooms for further improvement. Line 49 whereby keywords were repeated twice, is it a typo? Line 69 -suggest to add reference at the end of sentence. "The postoperative complications inherent to pancreatic surgery (e.g. pancreatitis, fistulas, necrosis, etc.) appear similarly in pancreas transplantation. In addition, ischemia-reperfusion injury, immunological factors and immunosuppressive therapy increase the risk of their appearance." Line 87, reference is needed at the end of sentence "The largest published series of pancreas donors with ages ranging from 3 to 17 years was from the Wisconsin group." Line 122, reference is needed at the end of sentence. The proportion of donors over 50 years was less than 1% of total pancreas donors Line 131, suggest change to cause of death for the donor Line 254, Fulfillment the kidney transplantation criteria. ( or Fulfillment the kidney and pancrease transplantation criteria) -Need to spell in full what is SPK for simultaneous pancrease kidney transplant at the beginning before started to use SPK -Line 247, need to add transplantation at the end of Patient selection for SPK [37,45] -Line 139, the SPK should be placed at the back of simultaneous pancrease kidney (SPK) transplant. -Line 269, suggest to add "Before SPK transplantation, dialysis can be performed by hemodialysis (HD) or ...." Line 317 Radiological exams (need to spell in full)

**Author response:** Thank you for pointing this out. We made all the changes suggested in the manuscript.

**(1) Science Editor:** 1 Scientific quality: The manuscript is a review of donor risk factors in pancreas transplantation. The topic is in the scope of WJT. (1) Classification: Grade C. (2) Summary of the peer-review report: the study field is important, worthwhile and justifiable. The aim of the study is built on and address donor risk factors in pancreas transplantation complications in páncreas transplantation. There are rooms for further improvement. (3) Format: 49 references were cited, including 4 references published in the last three years. No self-citation. 2 Language evaluation: Grade B. Language editing certificate was not properly provided. 3 Academic norms and rules: The conflict-of-interest disclosure form and Copyright License Agreement were

provided. No academic misconduct was found in the Bing search and CrossCheck search. 4 Supplementary comments: (1) Invited manuscript. (2) Without financial support. (3) Corresponding author has not published article in BPG. 5 Issues raised: None. 6 Re-Review: Not required. 7 Recommendation: Conditional acceptance.

**(2) Editorial Office Director:** I have checked the comments written by the science editor. I have changed the manuscript type “review” to “minireview”. The manuscript is the special issue for the WJT.

**(3) Company Editor-in-Chief:** I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report and the full text of the manuscript, of which have met the basic publishing requirements, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted with major revision. Before final acceptance, the authors need to meet language requirement by submitting the English Language Certificate or a statement indicating whether the quality of the manuscript’s English language reaches Grade A or not.

**Author response:** Thank you for your suggestions. Important changes have been made to the manuscript to improve its content.