

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Novelty of this manuscript	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: No novelty
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Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: No scientific significance
Language quality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
Re-review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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	Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors reasonably commented the manuscript by Zhou et al. The authors pointed out concerns about correlation between IgA and IgG4 levels, autoantibody positivity, and influence of serum IgG levels. 1. Indeed, serum IgG levels and anti-nuclear antibody positivity were included in the classical criteria for AIP [reference 7]. However, by now, neither the international consensus diagnostic criteria for AIP nor the Japanese revised clinical diagnostic criteria for AIP included the two items. The authors should also mention these backgrounds.

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This article is an excellent LETTER TO THE EDITOR. After reading a recently published article, the author analyzed the strengths and weaknesses of the article and proposed their unique insights. The article pointed out three limitations in Zhou et al's study which published in WJG 2023 : no IgA correlation with IgG4 levels, absent data on autoantibody-positive AIP cases critical for Asian diagnostic criteria, and unexplored relapse rates in high serum IgG AIP by subtype . These are all based on extensive literature review and the author's rich clinical and scientific experience in IgG related pancreatitis. I agree with all three points and hope that there will be corresponding research on this viewpoint in the future to compensate for these limitations.

RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This comment has been well revised according to the reviewers' suggestions, and is now suitable for publication in its present form.