

## ESPS PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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| CLASSIFICATION                              | LANGUAGE EVALUATION   | SCIENTIFIC MISCONDUCT                          | CONCLUSION   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good      |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Duplicate publication |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair      | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing  | <input type="checkbox"/> Plagiarism            | <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Poor      |   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No         | <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision                |
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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This revision is well-written. The authors have clearly established a comprehensive explanation of the association of NASH and hepatocellular carcinoma, similar to what is known with HCV and HBV. As in HBV, they mention that cellular hepatocarcinoma may be at early stages of fibrosis, before the onset of cirrhosis. The review also covers different risk factors for HCC, they are common among obese patients, such as metabolic syndrome, insulin resistance or diabetes insulina o DM2. It is an interesting updated review that will motivate to further investigate the relationship between NASH and HCC, particularly to have a better manangement of obesity, NAFLD and NASH in risk patients. I suggest a diagram or figure to explain the relationship among the different risk factors.

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Although the manuscript "Advances in Hepatocellular Carcinoma: Nonalcoholic Steatohepatitis-Related Hepatocellular Carcinoma" is an interesting review on the epidemiological evidence linking obesity, diabetes mellitus and NAFLD with cirrhosis and hepatocellular carcinoma, I suggest to add a paragraph and a figure on the possible molecular mechanisms involved in this association. Minor point: I suggest an English revision of the manuscript.

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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is timely, well written mini-review, on interesting topic relating to risk factors contributing to the development of nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH) and its progression to hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC).