

Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 11090 edited revised.doc).

Title: Pancreatic Steatosis: Is It Related to Either Obesity or Diabetes Mellitus?

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

Several revisions has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

Reviewer 1

This is an interesting review of a novel clinical entity, pancreatic steatosis.

1. The authors discuss in detail the modalities used for the diagnosis of the disorder.
We have extensively reported the modalities of diagnosis of pancreatic steatosis that are mainly based on the imaging. We have also reported what is the population that is at risk of pancreatic stetosis
2. However, they should expand the section on the sequelae of pancreatic steatosis.
The data on this topic are scarce and we have reported the existing data of literature that are based only on case reports.
3. They should discuss if there are associations with insulin resistance or impaired insulin secretion.
We agree with the comment of the reviewer and a section has been added to the text (page 6, lines 11-21). References 18-25 have been also added.
4. Indeed, the finding that pancreatic steatosis is associated with the metabolic syndrome but not type 2 diabetes mellitus is rather peculiar, given the strong relationship between the latter two conditions.
We agree with the comment of the reviewer. However, we have highlighted that pancreatic steatosis is related to the obesity but not to diabetes type 2.

Reviewer 2

This is an interesting review of a novel clinical entity, pancreatic steatosis.

The authors could discuss more about insulin resistance or impaired insulin secretion and pancreatic steatosis.

We agree with the comment of the reviewer and a section has been added to the text (page 6, lines

11-21). References 18-25 have been also added.

Reviewer 3

The manuscript entitled "Pancreatic Steatosis: Is It Related to Either Obesity or Diabetes Mellitus" is well written as an Editorial. The updated knowledge and perspective regarding the pathological significance in obesity and diabetes are well summarized in the present form.

We thank this Reviewer for the nice comments on our manuscript.

Reviewer 4

Pezzilli et al have written a very good review of the topic of pancreatic steatosis. I find no errors and significant omissions. I think this article can be published in its present form and will be very useful to your readers. If the authors have any interesting speculations about the possible reasons why obese type 2 diabetics do not seem to have the same degree of pancreatic steatosis as non-diabetic obese subjects, it would be of interest to add that to the article.

We thank this Reviewer for the nice comments on our manuscript. Regarding the question of the Reviewer the possible explanation is reported in the new paragraph entitled "Relationships between insulin and pancreatic steatosis" (page 6, lines 11-21). References 18-25 have been also added.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Diabetes*

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