

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

Name of journal: World Journal of Gastroenterology

Manuscript NO: 41476

Title: Promoting genetics in non-alcoholic fatty liver disease: Combined risk score through polymorphisms and clinical variables

Reviewer's code: 00035193

Reviewer's country: United States

Science editor: Ruo-Yu Ma

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SCIENTIFIC QUALITY	LANGUAGE QUALITY	CONCLUSION	PEER-REVIEWER STATEMENTS
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept	Peer-Review:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language	(High priority)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good	polishing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept	<input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of	(General priority)	Peer-reviewer's expertise on the
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not	language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision	topic of the manuscript:
publish	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advanced
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> General
			<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The review by Vespasiani-Gentilucci et al, " Promoting genetics in NAFLD: combined risk score through polymorphisms and clinical variables?", is very well written, and timely. However, I felt somewhat lost while reviewing the manuscript with the wealth



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of information. The manuscript will benefit with a Table that summarizes, particularly the combined (genetic/clinical) risk scores in the assessment of NAFLD patients. Additionally, a figure that summarizes the various genetic polymorphisms and its sites of action in the NASH pathogenesis will be beneficial to the readers.

INITIAL REVIEW OF THE MANUSCRIPT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This reviews summarized the previous studies which conducted the risk score system for the diagnosing of NAFLD. It is an interesting topic and the contents were attractive. It is acceptable to publish this article in the World Journal of Gastroenterology, but some



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issues should be clarified and corrected. 1. The authors declared that “they expect that combined genetic/clinical scores, derived from longitudinal studies and built on a few strong genetic variants and relevant clinical variables, will reach a significant predictive power...”. I wonder that whether the authors had applied an effective risk score system to predict the risk of NAFLD or NASH? 2. There are 10 keywords, I do not know if the keywords had exceeded the maximum number limitation of this Journal? 3. In the table 2, the variables included of Donati et al [28], 2017 should include the age, sex, obesity, T2DM, severe fibrosis, not just the risk allele. 4. Some sentences should be reorganized with the clear expression.

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very well done work.

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