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Dear Editor,

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Title: Pancreatic exocrine insufficiency, type 3c diabetes mellitus and serum nutritional markers after acute pancreatitis

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

Reviewer 1:

This is a perfect job in which exocrine and endocrine pancreatic insufficiency were observed after AP. The statistical methods were introduced properly in this research.

Reviewer 2:

There are some writing mistakes in the manuscript.

1.) "type 3c diabetes mellitus (T3cDM) " or " Pancreatic endocrine function (T3cDM)" which one is correct ?

The second term is not the explanation of the abbreviation, but refers to type 3c diabetes mellitus (previously correctly abbreviated as T3cDM) being a consequence of the pancreatic endocrine dysfunction. Nevertheless, we agree this notation is inaccurate and apologize for the awkwardness. The sentence was rephrased into »Pancreatic endocrine function (the occurrence of T3cDM) was determined by ...«

2.) Table 1,2,3 should be explained in result section.

We believe Table 1 (which summarizes the results of the prevalence of exocrine and endocrine pancreatic insufficiency after acute pancreatitis in previous studies by other authors) should not mix with the results of this study and we therefore left it's explanation in the discussion section. We agree with reviewer #2 regarding the existing tables 2 and 3, which are now explained in the results section. Due to changing the order of the tables in the text we had to rename the tables (the former Table 1 was changed into Table 3; the former Tables 2 and 3 are now named Table 1 and 2, respectively).

3.) The discussion section should be rewritten.

We rewrote this section.

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

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