

June 19, 2021

Dear Editor,

Thank you very much for considering my manuscript entitled “**Acarbose is again on the stage**” for publication in *World Journal of Diabetes*. I also thank the Editorial board and the Referees for their crucial contributions.

I have reviewed the valuable comments made by the Reviewers and further revised the manuscript accordingly. Enclosed please find the list of the corrections made and copy of the revised manuscript.

Yours faithfully,
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Encl.:

1. Answers and Revisions according to the comments of Reviewers
2. Revised manuscript

The following answers were given and the following revisions were made according to the Reviewer's comments:

Reviewer#1:

Specific Comments to Authors: The paper discussed the effects of Acarbose on body weight, glycated hemoglobin A1c, and cardiovascular events associated with diabetes. Further, the disadvantages of Acarbose was also described. Overall, the paper was well written, and I have no further comments.

Answer: Thank you very much.

Reviewer #2:

Specific Comments to Authors: The part regarding the MARCH study should be improved as it is not too clear. The clinical relevance of going back to acarbose is not very clear too.

Answer: Thank you very much. The sentences about these topics were added the first and the last paragraph of manuscript.

Reviewer #3:

Specific Comments to Authors: Dear Author, in the proposed Editorial you reinvestigate the data on efficacy of acarbose in cardiovascular protection of T2DM patients. The Manuscript cites the new literature; concentrating specifically on the recently published study by Song et al. which suggests the effects in newly diagnosed patients through incretin action. I would suggest, as this is an Editorial to provide more personal approach in how the available data can change the future investigation and treatment of T2DM patients on the global level.

Answer: Thank you very much. The sentences about this topic were added the last paragraph of manuscript.

Reviewer #4:

Specific Comments to Authors: Altay M provided an interesting editorial with the focus of acarbose in the treatment of diabetes. The content is substantial, of clear logical tiers and relatively fluently

expressed. The author indicated that “there is increasing evidence to show that it reduces the risk of cardiovascular disease”. However, this lacks solid proof. How about the CVOT results of acarbose ?

Answer: Thank you very much. The sentence about this topic was added the 4th paragraph of manuscript.

Language Quality and Company editor-in-chief:

Manuscript was reevaluated for grammar, sentence structure, word usage, spelling, capitalization, punctuation, format, and general readability.

Certificate issued by the English language editing company was added.

Table 1 was added.