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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The paper is important because H2S effects on pancreatitis have not been investigated thoroughly in the Arginine model. The conclusions are supported by the well presented and executed experiments. Minor comments: 1. Abstract - hydorgen sulfide (do not abbreviate, because it is used for the first time in the paper); upregulation is misspelled 2. It would be interesting to analyse the lung of the sacrificed animals (see previous publications with the cerulein model) 3. Ref. 2 is very old, please list other references to highlight the importance of cytokines in SAP. I also wouldn't start a paper with a ref. from 2002, there are more uptodate reviews since. 4. At the end of the intro, SD abbreviation is used (again first time use) 5. the size of the letters is not uniform in the paper (right at the beginning "severe acute", later "military") 6. First paragraph of results: CSE is on Fig 1B not 1A, in case of NaHS the other way around 7. I don't see an arrow in Fig. 2, and plasma IL-6 is on panel C not D