

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Scientific quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish
Language quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
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## **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Dear Authors, I believe that your article is quite good. I don't have other suggestions.

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The observation study by Bashkin et al enrolled 209 cases with type 2 DM. Sixty five patients with COVID-19 infection and 144 without COVID-19 infection. Then they compared between the two primary patient groups, and then between COVID-19-negative patients hospitalized due to infectious versus non-infectious disease. Finally, we explored which parameters were associated with severe COVID-19 pneumonia. Their result showed that very surprisingly, pre-hospitalization albuminuria, mostly moderate-range, was associated with reduced risk to COVID-19 pneumonia infection. They have concluded that mild albuminuria in COVID-19-positive diabetic patients with CKD II is associated with reduced risk to COVID-19. I have the following concerns - the are typing errors. the authors should revise. -the authors stated in the introduction .....factors for severe COVID-19 pneumonia are associated with diabetes, e.g., obesity, hyperglycemia, CVD, heart failure, and CKD. Why the authors stated heart failure as separated from CVD. - in the methodology section, the authors should mention the date and the number of the ethical approval certificate. - in the subheading statistical analysis, the author should remove the statement "Statistical methods were approved by and analyses were performed and reviewed by a statistician at the Galilee Medical Center". - are the subject a cohort, I could not find any information on race of cohort members. -The authors should include the small sample size use in this study as one of the limitations. -Maybe one of the serious concerns in this manuscript is the very small sample sized used I think it should be increased.

## RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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the authors answered my questions and comments. Thank you very much.