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## **COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

In this review article, Hafner A-L and Dani C well summarized the adipogenic potential of hiPSCs and the current approaches to derive hiPSC-MSC. Then the authors discussed in detail the main characteristics of hiPSC-MSCs in term of their low-adipogenic capacities and proposed several hypotheses to explain the difference between hiPSC-MSC and adult-MSCs in term of their adipogenic capabilities. Overall, this review article is well written and has provided the up-to-date knowledge in this field.



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In this paper, the authors first introduce the roles of adipose tissues in energy balance, and the therapeutic potential of adipocytes for obesity and its associated metabolic complications. Then the authors discuss a promising autologous adipocyte source from hiPSCs, and summarize the recent progress in deriving adipocytes and adipogenic MSCs from hiPSCs. Overall, the manuscript is well written, and covers an interesting topic of regenerative medicine. Major points: The authors describe that hiPSCs can be differentiated into both adipocytes and MSCs with a low adipogenic potential. Instinctively, one would suggest using hiPSC-adipocytes, but not hiPSC-MSCs for therapeutic application for obesity and its associated metabolic complications. The authors need to explain why hiPSC-MSCs is better than hiPSC-adipocytes in therapeutic application. Minor points: 1. Page 4, "MSCs originate both from both mesoderm and neuroectoderm [11]." 2. Unify the use of abbreviations throughout the manuscript, such as hiPSC and hiPS.