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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

There are several important SNPs and the SNPs should be summarized in a Table.



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1. The authors must provide some figures and/or tables in order to make their publication more illustrative. I suggest to provide a figure for the SNPs implicated in the pathogenesis and a table with the summary of current and future treatment strategies. 2. A conclusion with the most important finding in the era of pediatric NAFLD should be added at the end of the manuscript.



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We reviewed with interest the paper entitled “ Pediatric non-alcoholic fatty liver disease: new insights and future directions” by Marzullo et al. The paper is an updated and meaningful review on NAFLD in children covering a topic deeply addressed in adults but only sporadically addressed in pediatric population. All the most relevant issues are exhaustively discussed. In particular, the authors emphasized epidemiologic aspects connected with NAFLD in children which is a steadily increasing clinical condition ranking among the most common forms of liver disease in this setting. The most relevant risk factors connected with NAFLD occurrence as obesity, insulin resistance, Type 2 Diabetes and dietetic disorders as well as genetic predispositions including PNPLA3 and GCKr variants are fully discussed. Current and future treatment options are reported and discussed. To our opinion however, the paper seems too long and a shortening work should be advisable. In particular some paragraphs dealing with pathophysiology of NAFLD and NASH should be condensed or even deleted. The language is fairly good and references updated.



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Modify "the gold standart" terms in the introduction section. Liver biopsy is the gold standart for evaluating liver histology in patients with NAFLD, but not for diagnosing NAFLD.