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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The paper indicated that among nonalcoholic steatohepatitis patients, hypolactasia is associated with insulin resistance in Brazil. It is a very interesting and well-written paper. Here are some minor points. 1. Table one. The gender only indicated “woman”, although the number of men is mentioned in the result. The author could add men in table one. 2. Is HOMA means HOMA-IR? 3. In the abstract, the last sentence is “Further studies including alimentary report are needed.”. It is kind of discussion but not suitable in abstract. Please relace or reconstitute the sentence. 4. I am not sure whether this sentence “We are a tertiary referral hospital center, and this could justify higher number of NASH patients in relation to steatosis patients in our casuistic. The small sample size of the steatosis group is another limitation of our study.” is suitable for discussion in a scientific paper.

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Dear author, Greeting ! Studies have demonstrated that non alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) was associated with insulin resistance. However, up to date, lack of associations between hypolactasia and insulin resistance in NAFLD. And LCT-13910TT genotypes with metabolic syndrome components is controversial. Hence, the study: "Hypolactasia is associated with insulin resistance in Brazilian patients with nonalcoholic steatohepatitis", is an interesting topic. But, there are some questions needed to be modified in the manuscript. 1. Some grammatical and syntax errors in this manuscript need to be corrected. Such as (1) Author contributions: "Mazo DF, Mattar R, and Oliveira CP conceived and designed....." should be revised that "Mazo DF, Mattar R, and Oliveira CP performed the conceived and designed, data analysis and interpretation, and the writing of the manuscript"; (2) AIM: "Assess LCT-13910C>T polymorphisms in Brazilian non alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) and nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH) patients compared to healthy controls." should be revised that "To assess LCT-13910C>T polymorphisms in Brazilian non alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) and nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH) patients compared to healthy controls."; (3) Core tip:and analyzed in nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH) patients its association with



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biochemical tests, metabolic syndrome and severity of liver histology. should be revised tha"and analyzed the associations of LCT-13910C>T polymorphisms with biochemical tests, metabolic syndrome and severity of liver histology in nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH) patients." and so on.

2 On Data analysis: Continuous variables are presented as mean \pm standard deviation and were compared using the t or Mann-Whitney test from normality assumption verified using Anderson-Darling test. The "mean \pm standard deviation" is not used for" Mann-Whitney test", it is usually applied in the nonparametric test in two groups. 3 The DISCUSSION need to do an further modified, because it is too review, lack of analysis and opinion from author . sincerely, Qu Baoge
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