

Dear Editor:

Thank you for your letter and for the reviewers' comments concerning our manuscript entitled "Diabetic Foot Ulcers: Classification, Risk factors, and Management" (Manuscript ID: 79568). Those comments are all valuable and helpful for revising and improving our paper. We have carefully studied the comments and have made the conscientious correction. Revised portions are marked in yellow on the paper. The main corrections in the paper and the responses to the reviewers' comments are as follows.

**Reviewer #1:**

**Comments1:** The chapters "complications of diabetes" and "obesity" are excessive and not necessary.

**Response:** We thank the reviewer for raising this question. The chapters on complications of diabetes and obesity had been deleted in the latest submitted manuscript.

**Comments2:** Ch about patients' quality of life before and after application of different treatment modalities is extremely important. So, please, put several sentences about that.

**Response:** We are grateful for the question. The chapter "Assessment of quality of life" was added to the manuscript(line 597-649 marked yellow). This part briefly summarizes the impact of several treatment methods mentioned above on the quality of life of patients and calls for further attention and research to cope with changes in the quality of life of patients.

**Comments3:** Minor English polishing is necessary

**Response:** Thank you for the comments. This article will be further polished.

**Reviewer #2:**

**Comments1:** The document is well written. The thematic is well presented, easily to understand and the problematic is clear. An excellent review of the literature on the disastrous causes of diabetes on the feet of patients who have failed to regulate their blood sugar levels.

**Response:** Thank you for your affirmation.

Comments 2: The authors of this manuscript have well written this article based on several types of classification stated by several learned societies that elucidate the management of the diabetic foot at several levels of impairment by proposing several solutions.

Response: Thank you for your comments

Comments 3: Tables 1 to 6 are well presented with all the bibliographic references citing either the corresponding authors or the learned societies that have proposed the therapies to be followed.

Response: the tables were cited to summarize the different types of classification to present the relationship between them.

Comments 4: Some errors were noted in the bibliographical references:

4.1. P12-ref 99: In the obesity paragraph: change Chunmei Lin by Lin et al (for the reference cited in the text, only the last name is mentioned).

Response: Thank you for your comments. in the latest manuscript, the obesity chapter has been deleted.

4.2. P12-ref 101: In the PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT paragraph: the reference Dr. Frederick Treves don't exist in the references list. The reference cited Naves CC (ref 101). Please correct this citation.

Response: Thank you for your correction. The reference has been added and corrected (line 942-944 marked yellow).

4.3. P14: In the glycemic control paragraph, after the first sentence "The close relationship between blood glucose levels and the progression of diabetes complications has been reported extensively in the literature", please add some reference about the relationship between high blood glucose levels and the complication caused by this high glycemia.

Response: Thank you for your correction. Related reference has been added (line 974-976 marked yellow).

4.4. P18-ref 151: In the Offloading paragraph-Therapeutic footwear: change S Zimny by Zimny et al.

Response: Thank you for your careful correction. The name of the authors of the reference has been corrected.

4.5. P18-ref 152: In the same paragraph, change Vanessa L. Nubé by Nubé et al.

Response: Thank you for your careful correction. The name of authors of the reference has been corrected (line 1142 marked yellow).

4.6. P19-ref 153: In the same paragraph, change Manuel Pabon Carrasco by Pabon-Carrasco et al.

Response: Thank you for your careful correction. The name of authors of the reference has been corrected (line 1144 marked yellow).

4.7. P20-ref 159: in the surgery paragraph: the reference Raju Ahluwalia et al don't exist in the references list. The reference cited Brodsky JW and Rouse AM (ref 159). Please correct this citation.

Response: Thank you for your careful correction. The incorrect references have been corrected (line 1108-1110, line 1166-1169 marked yellow)

5. Please correct all these references.

Response: Thank you for your careful correction. All of the references have been corrected.

Additional correction:

As there are new chapters in the article, this part is also summarized in the Abstract(line 52, 54-56 marked in yellow).

All replies above.

Best regards again.

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