

Answering the reviewers.

Dear Reviewers,

Many thanks for your review. I have taken note of all the recommendations and suggestions and I have made the required changes which I hope you find satisfactory.

I have listed all of your recommendations below with a brief summary of the changes/amendments I have made.

Please let me know if there are any further recommendations

Many thanks

- 1) The underlying mechanism of how it functions is not mentioned. A brief discussion should be added in the revised manuscript.**

In the manuscript I have described the pathophysiology of NAFLD and within the endoscopy/surgical section I have mentioned how weight loss is achieved I.E Restrictive or malabsorptive. I have now added an additional section briefly describing how weight loss is achieved under the section of bariatric surgery and NAFLD.

- 2) The source of Table 1, which is recreated from [26], but the context is from DOI:10.1159/000447277; (Corpus ID: 6606524)?**

As mentioned, the context of the table is from [26] however we have recreated the table to a more simplified version in keeping with [66].

- 3) Checking all the abbreviations in the manuscript, some are missing, and some show multiple times, such as laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy (LSG) and HbA1c.**

I have been through all of the abbreviations and hopefully this has now been corrected.

- 4) Why are only three potential drugs for NAFLD, are they the most promising therapeutics?**

I have specifically chosen these three medications as they are promising. Although there are other drugs currently under trials these medications are in phase II clinical trials and I did not feel the need to mention more. Alternatively, if you feel it is more sensible to remove this section I can do so. I have tried to explain why I have chosen these.

- 5) Please check small details, such as 95%cl or CI, which should be CI, (confidence interval)**

Thank you this has now been done.

- 6) For peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor (PPAR γ), which should be PPAR γ**

Thank you. This has now been done.

- 7) Correct the reference to the journal style.**

I have gone through each individual reference and ensured that it is a Vancouver style reference as per the journal specification.