

ESPS JOURNAL EDITOR-IN-CHIEF'S REVIEW REPORT

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Title: Association between serum α -L-fucosidase and non-alcoholic fatty liver disease: A cross-sectional study

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JOURNAL EDITOR-IN-CHIEF (ASSOCIATE EDITOR) COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The paper is well-written, but there is one thing not to be accepted generally. In the Discussion, the authors described that AFU seems to a comparable biomarker for the diagnosis of NAFLD, compared with other biomarkers such as cytokeratin 18 or HAIR score. I cannot accept the authors' opinion. The AUROC of AFU was only 0.6, while it was 0.8 in cytokeratin 18 and 0.9 in HAIR score. In addition, there was no validation study for AFU. So, the role of AFU on the diagnosis of NAFLD is rather limited. Please change the discussion.

Answer: The author has been revised according to the review.