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Revision (0)

Here, you can see the **Reviewers**, **Associate Editors** and **EICs'** comments from the beginning to the end of the revision process.

Rana Rafiee: Reviewer | **Revision** (0) — 15 Oct 2020

Dear AE,
It is a complete review article but should be summarized.
Thanks.

REFEREE: Associate Editor | **Revision** (0) — 1 Jan 2021

Deare EIC,
The authors should revise the manuscript based on comments.
Thanks.

REFEREE: EIC | **Revision** (0) — 19 Jan 2021

Dear Author,
Your article is reviewed by the reviewers carefully. According to their comments, this document needs minor revision. Please follow their comments as requested.
Thanks.

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Revision (1)

Reply to Reviewers

Ideally, the reviewing process can significantly improve the submitted manuscripts by allowing the authors to take into account the advice of reviewers. Author(s) must reply to all reviewers' comments in a separate Word file, point by point. A "**Reply to Reviewers**" document is submitted along with revised manuscript during submission of revised files, summarizing the changes that the authors made in response to the reviewers' comments. The responses to reviewers' comments specifies how the authors addressed each comment the reviewers made.

You can read the authors' responses to the reviewers' comments in the next page.

Response to Reviewers.

Dear Editor.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our work to the Journal and for the comments made to improve the content.

Reviewers' Comments:

Reviewer 1:
It is a complete review article but should be summarized.

We completely revised the text and decided to eliminate some fragments that represent studies of experimental nature and that might not be useful to the reader and we focus on clinical studies and some in vitro studies that we consider relevant. The text reduction was carried out by 25% (Original draft: 3015 words, final draft: 2265).

Associate Editor's Comments:

Associate Editor 1:
Please revise the manuscript based on comments.

Done

EIC Decision:

minor revision

Thanks.

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REFEREE: Reviewer | **Revision** (1) 12 Mar 2021

Dear AE,
The study is reviewed carefully. According to comments and revisions by the author, this manuscript is accepted.
Thanks

REFEREE: Associate Editor | **Revision** (1) 12 Mar 2021

Dear EIC
Based on the authors' answers to the reviewers' comments, the reviewer(s) have recommended publication.
Kind regards.

REFEREE: EIC | **Revision** (1) 12 Mar 2021

Dear Author,
The document is reviewed carefully by the reviewers. According to their comments and your revisions as requested, this manuscript is accepted.
Thanks.