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To

Dr. Giuseppe Pugliese

Guest Editor

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Dear Dr. Pugliese,

Please consider our revised review manuscript titled, “**The Triumvirate: Why Hypertension, Obesity, and Diabetes are risk factors for adverse effects in patients with COVID-19.**” Ms. No. ACDI-D-20-00506, for publication in *Acta Diabetologica*.

We would like to thank the reviewers for their positive and encouraging comments. As per the suggestions of the reviewers we have made changes to the manuscript to address the protective effects of ACE2. Additionally, we have added a section to describe the cardiovascular and renal complications associated with the triumvirate, which appear as underlined fonts in the revised manuscript.

We hope you find the manuscript now acceptable for publication *Acta Diabetologica*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "V. Hegde".

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