Reviewer’s report

**Title:** High Prevalence of Celiac Disease among Saudi Children with Type 1 Diabetes

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**Reviewer:** Kamran Rostami

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I have read with interest the paper entitled “High Prevalence of Celiac Disease among Saudi Children with Type 1 Diabetes” by Al-Hussaini et al. They evaluated the prevalence rate and clinical characteristics of CD among Saudi children with T1D suggesting the lower cut-off value of anti-tissue transglutaminase antibodies IgA (anti-TTG) that best predicts CD in children with T1D.

There are already some studies on this topic in Saudi Arabia. A recent study with even a bigger number >400 showed a similar prevalence of CD between T1D (see below). The authors need to explain the differences and what this study add to the current literature that is missing in the paper by Saadah et al?


Some other comments

**Method section:**

The authors need to describe how the biopsies have been taken; like the number of biopsies and the site of biopsies

Any biopsy taken from D1? Please adjust according to this reference


Histology has not been discussed in this section either. Please describe your finding according to the modified Marsh classification

- Ref 16 is the original Marsh Classification.


**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Not suitable for publication unless extensively edited
Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:
'I declare that I have no competing interests