Reviewer's report

Title: Family history of diabetes and clinical characteristics in Greek subjects with type 2 diabetes

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Papazafiroupoulou et al, have examined the relationship between family history of diabetes and clinical characteristics in Greek subjects with type 2 diabetes.

MAJOR POINTS

Some important points must be acknowledged. A flow chart would strongly improve the manuscript allowing to assess patient eligibility.

In addition, the paper relates to the Greek population. It should be precised if this study is population based or not (which is probably not the case).

In the abstract there are no ways to compare different findings. Mean +/- should be added.

The limitations of the manuscript should include the fact that no all type 2 diabetes patients in this institution were recruited.

In the context of the possible additional benefit of genetic information, it should be noted if DNA was collected for these patients.

MINOR POINTS

Editing the English of the text is highly advised.

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