Reviewer’s report

Title: The level of netrin-1 is decreased in newly diagnosed type 2 diabetes mellitus patients

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The idea of the paper is innovative. As commented, the study population is small, but the data analysis is correct. However, there are some comments to be made:

1. DATA: There is no data about duration of diabetes (only the fact that it is newly diagnosed) and no data about diabetes treatment (and any possible correlations with netrin-1)

2. PAPER STRUCTURE: Many studies explicated in the discussion section should have been written in the background section.

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