

Comment on Khan S P Khan, et al. (J Pak Med Assoc. 74: 1654-1658, September 2024)

## Role of Oral Hypoglycaemic Drugs in Preventing Complications in Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

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Dear Editor, I recently came across the paper "Role of Oral Hypoglycaemic Drugs in Preventing Complications in Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus" in your esteemed journal. The study effectively highlights the significance of empagliflozin and metformin in reducing fatty liver changes and liver enzymes in NAFLD patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus. Current data strongly supports empagliflozin, an SGLT2 inhibitor, in effectively managing blood glucose levels, reducing hepatic steatosis, and lowering cardiovascular risk among these patients<sup>1</sup>.

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Nevertheless, the study's restricted sample size and high patient dropout rate curtail the broad applicability of the findings. It would be advantageous to conduct larger, multicenter trials with extended follow-up periods to thoroughly investigate the sustained impact of these drugs on hepatic and metabolic outcomes. Such data would substantially enhance clinical guidelines for managing NAFLD in T2DM patients.

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