

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Tegafur-uracil has been reported to have only minor adverse effects and is associated with liver injury in only 1.79% of Japanese patients; one "only" may be deleted. Are 8 months considered as "short-term administration"? What is considered long-term in years /months? "serum transaminase levels, prothrombin activity." Please add "and" "improved to 6.5 ng/mL and 112.2 ng/mL," please also give initial values. "Laboratory examination revealed low platelet counts, liver dysfunction, and high hepatic fibrosis markers." In principle there are no "fibrosis markers" to be measured in serum. "MR elastography, and VTQ" should be listed in Imaging diagnosis. Legend table 1, all abbreviations have to be explained.

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This is nicely done. A few questions and comments: 1) I gather the ursodeoxycholic acid was prescribed because of suspicion of PBC, but the manuscript implies it was prescribed because of elevated serum transaminase levels. I would clarify the reason. 2) Was a ceruloplasmin done, especially in view of liver biopsy findings? 3) In the last paragraph before the Discussion, the type IV collagen 7S and hyalauronic acid levels are given for after discontinuation but not before. I would say they improved from 16 ng/ml and 653.4 ng/ml to ...