

## Answer to reviewers:42998

Answering to reviewer 1: Thank you for your kind reminding. Only a small amount of patients of Budd-Chiari syndrome needs to undergo transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic shunt. In the future, we will enlarge the number of patients recruited in the study and hopefully a more solid result could be achieved.

Answering to reviewer 2: Thank you for your advices. First, the abstract has been already re-written into the form of AIM, METHOD, RESULTS and CONCLUSION. Second, all nine patients with Budd-Chiari syndrome underwent transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic shunt, during the procedure, transjugular biopsy was conducted. None of the patients were dead after TIPS, and the results were published (PMID: 27805025 DOI: 10.1038/srep36380). The references has been updated, and the language has also been edited.