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Dr. Tanwar and the other authors made a review on the mechanisms involved in liver inflammation and fibrosis in chronic liver diseases. They also reviewed the pathogenesis of NAFLD and chronic hepatitis C infection, and the mechanisms for hepatic fibrosis regression. In general, the manuscript is well written and contains good illustrations to help reader catch the points. However, there are a few sections which need more address.

1. On the section of ADAPTIVE IMMUNE RESPONSE TO HEPATIC INJURY: Authors should include other cell types, e.g., Th17 and Treg. 2. On CLASSES OF ANTIFIBROTIC THERAPY: authors wrote that although these trials showed that low maintenance doses of PEG-IFN did not improve outcomes in patients with compensated cirrhosis and CHC who had not responded to a lead-in phase of interferon, this will be further discussed in chapter 11. Where is Chapter 11? 3. On Discussion: Authors mentioned that the reference standard for staging liver fibrosis remains the histological staging of a liver biopsy specimen. Liver biopsy itself, even in experienced centers is associated with complications. Please include discussion on the good and bad sides of image studies in liver fibrosis.

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Authors should consider that IFN alpha and gamma could be involved in chronic injury of NAFLD too, as evident in .. “Interferon-alpha 2 but not Interferon-gamma serum levels are associated with intramuscular fat in obese patients with nonalcoholic fatty liver disease.” Journal of translational medicine vol. 17,1 8. 3 Jan. 2019, doi:10.1186/s12967-018-1754-6. About the main role of IL-17, mainly in the most important complication of NAFLD, i.e., atherosclerosis, , authors should refer to another study to reinforce their hypotheses as per....J Transl Med. 2014 Aug 6;12:214. doi: 10.1186/s12967-014-0214-1. Is serum Interleukin-17 associated with early atherosclerosis in

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