ANSWERING REVIEWERS

Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in word format (file name: 21076-Review.doc).

Title: Treating morbid obesity in cirrhosis: Quest of holy grail

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

Reviewer 02941980
1. All acronyms should be defined at their first appearance in the manuscript. Such as "non-alcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH)" in the introduction and "liver cirrhosis (LC) patients" in the text.
Answer: As suggested by the reviewer all acronyms have been defined at the beginning.

2. Some subtitle should be uniformly written in uppercase.
Answer: As suggested by the reviewer required subtitle have been uniformly written in uppercase.

Reviewer 02942666
1. Further elaborate the rationale of treating obesity in patients with advance liver disease.
Answer: As suggested by the reviewer a section on the rationale of treating obesity in patients with advance liver disease has been added.

2. Briefly describe possible mechanism which linked obesity and cirrhosis like various cytokines. It will take the article to another level.
Answer: As suggested by the reviewer a brief section on the mechanism linking obesity and cirrhosis like various cytokines has been added but not detailed as this may lead to deviating from the original topic.

3. Authors only discuss the association of obesity in terms of NASH with cirrhosis. Although NASH is the commonest association but other causes like viral related should be discussed with reference to obesity.
Answer: As suggested by the reviewer a brief mention of hepatitis c with obesity has been added.

4. Authors discussed all the drugs used in obesity and their role in cirrhotic patients. To improve the article it should also include poly therapies used to treat obese cirrhotics.
Answer: There is hardly any data on polytherapies for obesity in cirrhosis, so I am not adding the section at the current time.