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Dear Editor,

Title: Associating Liver Partition and Portal Vein Ligation for Staged Hepatectomy for extensive Alveolar Echinococcosis: First Case Report in the Literature

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

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

Reviewer General Comment: The article entitled: „Associating Liver Partition and Portal Vein Ligation for Staged Hepatectomy for extensive Alveolar Echinococcosis: First Case Report in the Literature“, refers to an alternative method for treatment of alveolar echinococcosis. Due to its invasive nature, the disease is an important medical and social problem. It leads to severe disability and often to a fatal outcome of the diseased persons. In this regard, any method (invasive or not) leading to a better therapeutic effect is of great interest to the medical community working in this field. I have just a few minor comments on the submitted text:

Question-1: Introduction page 5, line 13 - „Conservative treatment options include benzimidazole derivatives and percutaneous therapy.“ What exactly do the authors mean by “percutaneous therapy”? Perhaps use of PAIR technique (puncture-aspiration-injection-reaspiration), together with medication treatment or something else? I think the authors should specify this sentence.

Response to the Reviewer: According to your advice this sentences changed as: Conservative treatment options include benzimidazole derivatives and percutaneous therapy such as

puncture-aspiration-injection-reaspiration, percutaneous evacuation, modified catheterization technique, dilatable multi-function trocar.

Question-2: Page 6, line 5 - "In the present study, we report a successful ALPPS procedure in a 28 year old male patient with hepatic E. alveolaris". I consider it will be more appropriate if the expression is: „...with hepatic alveolar echinococcosis“.

Response to the Reviewer: According to your advice this sentences changed as: In the present study, we report a successful ALPPS procedure in 28 years old male patient with hepatic alveolar echinococcosis which is the first report of use of ALPPS in a hepatic hydatid disease.

Question-3: Discussion: There is a purely technical error in the text: page 7, line 31 - "..... within 15 years after the ..." instead of after. Fig.4: „Postoperative axial phase MDCT image. Extended right hepatectomy involving the right lobe and segment 4 is performed remaining the segment II and III. Segment III bile duct is dilated (thin white arrow) and an external biliary drainage catheter is seen inside the bile duct (thin black arrow).“ I think it is appropriate the numbering of the segments to be in one style, with Roman or Arabic numbers, respectively.

Response to the Reviewer: Necessary corrections were made on the text

With Best Wishes

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