



PEER-REVIEW REPORT

Name of journal: World Journal of Hepatology

Manuscript NO: 39968

Title: The Trapped Vessel: An Unusual Presentation of Abdominal Pain with Hepatomegaly

Reviewer’s code: 01438560

Reviewer’s country: Brazil

Science editor: Fang-Fang Ji

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Date reviewed: 2018-06-06

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SCIENTIFIC QUALITY	LANGUAGE QUALITY	CONCLUSION	PEER-REVIEWER STATEMENTS
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept	Peer-Review:
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing	(High priority)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good		<input type="checkbox"/> Accept	<input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing	(General priority)	Peer-reviewer’s expertise on the topic of the manuscript:
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors have described a very rare case of abdominal pain and hepatomegaly secondary to IVC constriction from extrinsic compression of the diaphragm. Clinical and venography improvement was mentioned following inferior vena cava venolysis and



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division of the diaphragmatic constriction. However, laboratory, liver size, and CVP pressure results were not reported after the operation. No similar cases from the literature was mentioned. Other minor comments: 1) In the introduction, I suggest changing the expression “external compression” for “extrinsic compression”. 2) It is important to specify the meaning of several abbreviations, such as AMA, ANA, HJR.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Manuscript ID: 39968 entitled, “The Trapped Vessel: An Unusual Presentation of Abdominal Pain with Hepatomegaly” reports a rare case of external compression of the diaphragm as etiology of abdominal pain with elevated transaminases which is usually



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due to clotting disorders and trauma that cause inferior vena cava (IVC) obstruction. Authors suggest that this report might urge the physicians to consider the possibility of the IVC compression. Comments: Overall the report is well-written and well-presented and might be of interest of WJH readers. The following comments might help in further improvement of the manuscript: - Please provide proper citations (references) for the information presented in the introduction section. - Please provide further explanation as figure legends for figures 1 and 2 (figures legends should provide all the required explanations in brief to make the figures self-explanatory). Please also indicate in the figure titles that they are venograms of... - Please consider some new references for addressing the IVC and related topics in your manuscript. In the following are two examples that might be relevant: o Hepatic vena cava syndrome: New concept of pathogenesis. Shrestha SM, Kage M, Lee BB. *Hepatology Res.* 2017 Jun;47(7):603-615. doi: 10.1111/hepr.12869. Epub 2017 May 9. Review. o Redefining Budd-Chiari syndrome: A systematic review. Shin N, Kim YH, Xu H, Shi HB, Zhang QQ, Colon Pons JP, Kim D, Xu Y, Wu FY, Han S, Lee BB, Li LS. *World J Hepatol.* 2016 Jun 8;8(16):691-702. doi: 10.4254/wjh.v8.i16.691. - Addressing the following relatively old case report to compare with the case reported in the present manuscript might be interesting. o Stenosis of the inferior vena cava caused by a traumatic diaphragmatic hernia: case report. Lee HK, Kim IO, Kim WS, Chung JW, Yeon KM. *Pediatr Radiol.* 1995 Nov;25 Suppl 1:S175-7

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Grandhe S, et al presented an interesting case of IVC compression from the diaphragm. A minor question is that, enlarged spleen is frequently seen in hypersplenism due to portal hypertension, however, this patient had thrombocytopenia but no splenomegaly.



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