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**Reviewer’s country:** Japan

**Science editor:** Ying Dou

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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This review is relatively well written. Please summarize the diagnostic adequacy rate and adverse event rate of ultrasonic endoscope guided liver biopsy in tables.

**INITIAL REVIEW OF THE MANUSCRIPT**



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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Thank you for the opportunity to review this paper. Overall, it is a detailed review of EUS guided liver biopsy, including technique and outcomes. The review has up to date references and it is an interesting topic because there is a growing interest in the role of new available options and trends for liver disease diagnosis. It is well written and



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structured with up to date references. I have few suggestions: Data regarding outcomes comparing percutaneous and EUS liver biopsy should be made clearer in the text. Conclusion section should be shorter.

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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

well written manuscript with very important informations. However, i have some comment if possible: 1. Conclusion section is too long 2. If possible to compare advantages as disadvantages of percutaneous and EUS guided biopsy in table for easier comparison 3. If possible to add figure for standard biopsy core also



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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

It is a well-structured minireview, based on current understanding problem EUS-LB. Indeed, there remains an important role for liver biopsy in the current management of liver diseases despite advancements in noninvasive hepatic assessment. Use of EUS to obtain core biopsy of liver parenchyma occurred with the adaptation of a Tru-Cut needle



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that could be used through the echoendoscope. To improve the quality of the minireview, I strongly recommend that the authors added description EUS-LB technique. In addition, I suggest to supplement the manuscript with illustrations of the EUS-LB technique. Please bring to the attention to deficiency publications over the past five years (19 - 40,4 %).

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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

To Authors This study is a good and interesting presentation of the technical characteristics of the liver biopsy in the historical perspective. In my opinion the study should be improved with the structural organization of the numerous data of the literature, reported along the manuscript only in the discursive form. Moreover should



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be useful to add a synthetic exhibition of the personal experience on liver biopsy of the Authoers. Finally the references are up-to-date, but can be standardized to the international typographic standard. In particular reference n° 25 is incomplete; it's need the journal: N Engl J Med. 2001;344:495-500.

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