

ANSWERING REVIEWERS

Dear Editor and reviewers,

Thank you for carefully reviewing our manuscript entitled "**Management of Flood syndrome: what can we do better?**" for possible publication in the World Journal of Gastroenterology as an opinion review. We greatly appreciate the reviewers' time and evaluation. We have revised the manuscript, highlighting our revisions in red, and have attached point-by-point responses detailing how we have revised the manuscript according to the reviewers' comments below.

Thank you for your consideration and further review of our manuscript. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any further questions or recommendations.

Yours Sincerely,

Valentina Liakina

Reviewer #1:

Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)

Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)

Conclusion: Minor revision

Specific Comments to Authors

Thanks that manuscript can be accepted after minor revisions. Authors shed lights on a topic frequently managed in Clinical practice but less detailed in literature. The text is well structured and includes all items of clinical interest on the topic. Minor revision: 1) correct "hospitalization" 2) a sentence on the role and management of thrombocytopenia in addition to the coagulopathy is suggested

Response:

Dear Reviewer,

First of all, thank you for your time and valuable comments. We have corrected and supplemented our clinical case accordingly.

- 1) We have corrected the spelling of this and other terms to American-English throughout the manuscript.

- 2) Thank you for this profound suggestion. We added short paragraph about the management of thrombocytopenia.

Thrombocytopenia is another issue associated with liver cirrhosis. Prophylactical or periprocedural platelet transfusion, splenic artery embolization, transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic shunts and splenectomy are well-documented thrombocytopenia treatment methods. Recently, thrombopoietin receptor agonists (avatrombopag and lusutrombopag) were aproved by the US Food and Drug Administration for the noninvasive treatment of thrombocytopenia in patients with chronic liver disease undergoing a surgical procedure. These new drugs are considered safe and effective alternatives to platelet transfusions [31, 32].

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- 1) We have now provided original figures arranged in Powerpoint.
- 2) The photograph used in our manuscript (Figure 1) is from our personal records. We have a signed informed patient's consent and hospital's approval for publishing this picture (attached in the documents section). Figure 2 is created by the authors of this manuscript specifically for this topic.

