

Answer to the reviewers:

Specific Comments to Authors: I have read with great interest this manuscript. This is a well-written, comprehensive review regarding the role of EUS in hepatology field. I think this manuscript has a value for publication.

- We thank the reviewer for their valuable input and comments.

However, there are only some minor issues to be revised.

1. management of gastric varices At row 2-3 in 2nd paragraph, authors write "use of coils stainless steel coils..". The former "coil" is unnecessary, I think.

- Thank you pointing this out. This has now been corrected in the manuscript.

2. EUS-guided transhepatic intrahepatic portosystemic shunt (TIPSS) This abbreviation "TIPPS" is TIPS, isn't it?

- Yes, This has been corrected in the manuscript.

3. EUS guided FNAC of PV thrombosis What is FNAC? Please explain. Is that FNA?

- Yes, it is FNA, fine needle aspiration. This has now been corrected in the manuscript.

4. Legends of Figure 3 Authors write "EUS-guided internal drainage of loculated ascites". However, in Figure 3d, naso-cystic drain was placed. Is this an external drainage, isn't this?

- Thank you pointing that out. We have edited it accordingly.

5. Legends of Figure 8 In c), authors write "placement of naso-cystic drain". However, Figure 8d shows a double-pigtail plastic stent, right?

- Thank you for pointing it out. The endoscopic image (8d) shows the distal pigtail of the naso-cystic drain that has been placed. Thus, it is not a double pigtail plastic stent.