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PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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| Scientific quality | Good |
| | [] Grade D: Fair [] Grade E: Do not publish |
| Novelty of this manuscript | [] Grade A: Excellent [] Grade B: Good [] Grade C: Fair [] Grade D: No novelty |
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| Conclusion | [] Accept (High priority) [Y] Accept (General priority) [] Minor revision [] Major revision [] Rejection |
| Re-review | [Y] Yes [] No |
| Peer-reviewer statements | Peer-Review: [Y] Anonymous [] Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: [] Yes [Y] No |

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The review of the topic is complete and well-structured. The text may be useful as a general source of information or also as an update for Gastroenterologists. manuscript is well written. Just a typographical error found in the abstract in the word "pre-exiting".



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The present review is main about the NAFLD and COVID-19. It is generally well written. I have the following comments: 1. Up to today, the COVID-19 has experienced several variants; and most infected patients are asymptomatic, does any previous articles giving some information about different clinical results when NAFLD suffered different variant? 2. In fact, many NAFLD patients are lean, so what about the lean NAFLD compared the obese ones when got COVID-19? 3. We know that NAFLD include simple liver steatosis, NASH, liver fibrosis, even liver cancer, so what about the baseline liver condition of those who got a bad clinical end? 4. I suggest the authors use NAFLD through out the manu instead of fatty liver disease in some places. 5. there are still type error in the manu.