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PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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| | [] Grade A: Excellent [] Grade B: Very good [Y] Grade C: |
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| Scientific quality | Good |
| | [] Grade D: Fair [] Grade E: Do not publish |
| Novelty of this manuscript | [] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Good [] Grade C: Fair [] Grade D: No novelty |
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| Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript | [] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Good [] Grade C: Fair [] Grade D: No scientific significance |
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| Language quality | [] Grade A: Priority publishing [Y] Grade B: Minor language polishing [] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [] Grade D: Rejection |
| Conclusion | [] Accept (High priority) [] Accept (General priority) [Y] 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 article is clinically improtant. The issue of exercise is indeed crucial for patients with liver cirrhosis. I have several suggestions: First, the benefit of early exercise should be Please refere the emphasized more. to following article: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32723507/ Second, exercise can increase muscle mass, especially in patients with sarcopenia. In patients with liver cirrhosis, sarcopenia can be considered as a poor prognostic outcome. Please mention this point by referencing the following articles: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30279030/ Third, the tool for quality assessment of the included studies should be detailed.