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## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The present review summarized the prevalence and mechanisms of intrinsic and acquired resistance in bacterial species that most frequently cause complications in patients with liver cirrhosis and recent developments on how to deal with multidrug resistant bacteria. The review was overall well organized. Some minor points are listed as below. 1. Figures to illustrate the antibiotic resistance pathways and mechanisms are recommended. 2. Are there clinical models to predict the presence of bacterial complications?



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In this review, the authors presented current data on bacterial complications in patients with cirrhosis. A comprehensive analysis of the prevalence of antibiotic resistant isolates with a brief presentation of intrinsic and acquired resistance mechanisms was performed in the most prevalent pathobionts causing infections in cirrhosis. Current approved and developing options to treat bacterial complications to avoid resistance were also discussed. Overall, the manuscript is well prepared. There are several issues that I would like to bring to your attention. 1. The possible mechanism for the prevalent of bacterial complications in patients with cirrhosis should be discussed intensively. 2. The bacterial complications in cirrhotic patients with different etiology should also be compared.