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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This manuscript investigates the link between non-alcoholic steatohepatitis and the risk of portal vein thrombosis. The topic of the paper is important and relevant. The study is well-executed and the article is well-written. My only detailed comment concerns the Discussion section. In it, the authors expound on several different therapeutic strategies to prevent or treat thromboembolic events (heparin, etc.). In the field of traumatic and surgical coagulopathy, one emerging paradigm is that of balanced intervention, according to which hypocoagulant states may be treated using a combination of procoagulant factors and antithrombin, all supplemented in physiologically relevant amounts (J Trauma Acute Care Surg (2012) 73:S95-S102; Molecular Biosystems (2014) 10:2347-2357; Scand J Trauma Resusc Emerg Med (2012) 20:1). Could the authors consider and discuss the possible development of this idea in application to thromboembolism? Specifically, perhaps a good strategy would be to treat thromboembolic patients (e.g., for the type of thromboembolism relevant to the subject of the manuscript) with antithrombin, with possible anticoagulation reversal using pro-coagulant factors?

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An excellent retrospective large review of NASH patients with cirrhosis demonstrating that they are more thrombophilic than non-Nash cirrhosis and might well benefit from interventions to prevent clotting