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It is a valuable research of a performing surgical team, performed on an extensive database. However, there are too many imperfections in the article writing, please see the attached form of your article with markings and comments. The control group data should be presented together with the study group, not at the end of "Results" chapter. Please check the median duration of the illness. The title is given in two forms "Pathological changes..." versus "Pathological abnormalities". After correcting your article, I think it would be a significant contribution to the understanding of the non-cirrhotic pathology of the portal vein.

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Well written manuscript. I have few suggestions. 1- What is the statistical method? 2- Portal hypertension can be mortal (<https://doi.org/10.31832/smj.376327>) and (<https://doi.org/10.1111/tbj.13174>) I suggest both of these uptodate studies for the references.

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This is a prospective observational study on a adequate number of patients. There is no data statistical evaluation: it is not possible because there is no a control group. The results are interesting and the hypothesis that an early surgical treatment could avoid ( or slow ) venous structural alterations. Unfortunately this hypothesis should be confirmed comparing patients who received an early or late surgical treatment after diagnosis of HPNC. I wonder if this evaluation could be made with the available data. I do not understand why on page 20 and 22 there are images of the first page of a publication.

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