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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a well written article with extensive review of the literature. Informations are new and relevant for clinical practice, and the figures and table enhance the text. The comparison with Fibroscan is useful, as many services have adopted Fibroscan in daily practice.



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The manuscript by D'Onofrio et al. presents a review on the new method of evaluating the different liver diseases. In order for the manuscript to be better understandable some changes should be made. 1. An introduction chapter should be at the beginning giving also more technical details from the method, and some practical examples of the instruments used. 2. The referral to the different categories in the text should be subdivided by using letters (a,b,c..) or numbers (1,2,3..) 3. The conclusion should be more extensive also referring to the studies which are needed to establish the method in the every day clinical practice.



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This is a review article about the clinical application of ARFI. The authors overviewed recent studies, and described how it works. I recommend they add Table for comparison of diagnostic performances between ARFI and other non-invasive makers for grading hepatic fibrosis. It must be beneficial for many readers.