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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I think that the manuscript submitted for possible publication, can be accepted. It sheds light on the important role of nutrition in liver disease and gives suggestions for nutritional management and evaluation of cirrhotic patients.

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Your study results speak for themselves so, I think these results should be distributed publically for understanding the importance of preventing malnutrition and and perhaps design a clinical protocol

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Dear authors, how are you, this is a good work with new and good idea but, some recommendations might improve it. good luck

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Major Concerns 1. Major flaw is with the study design which is not clear 2. Also, improper use of language makes the paper uninterpretable in parts Introduction: 1. That HCV is likely to result in higher frequency of cirrhosis in future is unlikely as with availability of directly acting antivirals the frequency of HCV cirrhosis is likely to reduce. Please make changes to reflect this factual situation 2. The paragraph "Due to high prevalence of chronic hepatitis C and increased incidence of metabolic syndrome and non-alcoholic steatohepatitis, the cases of individuals progressing to cirrhosis is expected to increase until about 2030 [6http://link.springer.com.pbidi.unam.mx:8080/article/10.1007%2Fs11894-012-0301-5 - CR3]. Despite increasing knowledge of the pathogenesis of cirrhosis, and major advances in the treatment, there remains a paucity of information related to health related quality of life (HRQL) in these patients. Furthermore, the emotional impact of cirrhosis on individual's lives is rarely considered in clinical practice [7]." Can be removed as it does not really add to the information needed for interpretation of the work Methods 3. What is meant by direct interview when possible? If not



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possible, how were these scores calculated or is it a routine exercise to calculate SGA and CLDQ in all patients with cirrhosis 4. Were MELS scores available. If yes, did they have any correlation with the malnutrition 5. What is neuropathy? 6. Why was SGA chosen? Aren't better parameters and systems available. Results 7. What is media of age? Or was it mean of age? 8. Salient results about CLDQ should be mentioned in results section Core tip 9. Please rewrite as it is not clear 10. The assessment of CLDQ as has been provided is difficult to interpret. It will be better to describe the findings of CLDQ in different domains rather than each of the questions and Table 3 can best be used as supplementary appendix.

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Very nice and well written paper. I only advice authors to have their manuscript revised by a native speaker as there are many mistakes/typos (for instance "Discusion").

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ABSTRACT: health-related quality of life (HRQL): the abbreviation was demonstrated at the beginning of the abstract and never used later in the abstract. "Patients were request to assess them global quality of life" does this statement mean: " Patients were requested to assess their global quality of life"? "the media of age " does this mean: "the median age"? A total of 51 patients (40.2%) assessed their quality of life as well-being??? what does this statement mean? Acceptable quality of life? "and feel decrease level of energy"?? "and feeling decreased level of energy" METHODS: neumopathy, does it mean pulmonary disease (pneumopathy?) RESULTS: Regard the etiology of the cirrhosis: regarding? As regards? A total of 51 patients (40.2%) assessed their quality of life as well-being? previously pointed to in the abstract. presence of bodily pain, the shortness of breath been a problem for daily activities, not been able to eat as much as patient would like, decrease of strength, troubles lifting or carrying heavy objects, and feel decrease level of energy :NEEDS MAJOR LANGUAGE CORRECTION" Table 1: Tricipital skinfold thickness (cm): Triceps skinfold Table 3: How much of time; was it expressed in hours or minutes? Figure 1: How was the Kaplan-Meier curve calculated for



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the patients? was the QOL questionnaire used at regular intervals together with the nutritional assessment (SGA)? This analysis needs explanation. Does taking repeated analyses over a time period change the study design to retrospective cohort?