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CLASSIFICATION	LANGUAGE EVALUATION	RECOMMENDATION	CONCLUSION
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing	Google Search:	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Existing	<input type="checkbox"/> High priority for publication
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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Major 1. As the manuscript point out, fatty liver disease was classified as NAFLD and ALD. The author analysis the data by combining the two types, and concluded that Cholecystectomy does not significantly increase the risk of fatty liver disease. Obviously, the conclusion is questionable and unreliable. It would be more interesting if you divide the FLD into NAFLD group and ALD group (easy to get for you, I believe), and reanalyze the data. I believe it is probably that different results will come out. Please refer to the reference 13. Minor 1. Abbreviations were used without a definition in the Abstract and text (BMI, AST, ALT, BUN, HDL, TC, LDL, eg). 2. "Compared with without cholecystectomy subjects, having had cholecystectomy was associated with higher...." I believe it should be "compared with subjects without cholecystectomy" 3. Discussion section, the first sentence should add the references (several studies). 4. In the Table 1, gender should be replaced by using sex. BMI (kg/m²) should be normal way. 5. In the Table 2, are not other factors significant? They should be listed if significant.