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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors showed the LS values of normal liver. Because the number of liver biopsy for normal liver is limited, this study is interesting. Major Comment (1) In Fig2, the authors showed the correlation between BMI and liver stiffness. They showed the details of fatty change of liver. The authors should show the correlation between fatty change in the liver and liver stiffness. Minor Comments (1) In Table2, Age, Gender and BMI should be added. (2) The quality of Fig1 is very poor. The authors should brush up it. (3) In Fig2, error bars should be added.



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This is an interesting and well thought out study. The methodology is sound and the conclusions robust. The population involved in the study is from Egypt and thus there is likely to be minimal use of alcohol compared to a typical European or North American population. Thus the results may be population-dependent and need to be established in different regions. The references need to have do and PMID references as per the instructions to authors.



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A most interesting and well written with original information paper. It addresses the prospect of the new non invasive procedure of evaluating liver status in a very detail and well conceptualized manner. I strongly support its publication in its original form.