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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors present a potentially interesting clinical note but the manuscript can be improved according to the following suggestions: 1. It would be helpful to mention that anticoagulation is mandatory to primary ischemic stroke prevention in a patient with a cardiac disorder because cardioembolic stroke is the subtype of ischemic infarct with the highest in-hospital mortality (around 20%) (Curr Cardiol Rev 2010; 6: 150-61.) 2. Authors must theorize on the possible etiology of the reversible liver disease the patient showed. 3. Authors must suggest the potential benefits of prescribing new oral anticoagulant (dabigatran, rivaroxaban or apixaban) in similar cases to the present one.



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This case report is carefully written and original, and only minor changes are recommended. 1. Highlight that a prothrombotic state may temporarily occur when anti-vitamin K are initiated or interrupted. 2. Elaborate on the relative safety and efficacy of novel oral anticoagulants in similar settings (eg dabigatran) 3. Discuss the potential usefulness of adjunct antiplatelet therapy on top of anticoagulation (eg with clopidogrel) to reduce the risk of thrombosis when warfarin is discontinued.



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I would like to mention the following comment: It seems that the difference between this case and similar cases has not been clarified well. It would be better if the differences will emphasize more.  
Good Luck