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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A (Excellent)	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority Publishing	Google Search:	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept
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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The manuscript surveyed a specific population from the Haungpu Division in Guangzhou for the prevalence of fatty liver, an important risk factor for cardiovascular disease. The study had a quite large size of subjects that provided some useful information on this liver disease. It is not clear, however, how this population would represent the Chinese population in general, given that most of the subjects came from the unit personnel (hospital employee?). The authors stated in the end of Discussion that the population distribution was limited, but may want to address the limitations (in size, diversity of the subjects?). If the authors meant office workers and physical laborers by “mental workers” and “manual workers” respectively, it would be interesting to see whether physical activity level is in any way associated with the parameters measured in this study. The overall language needs a lot of polishing and sometimes is confusing. Page 3, are systolic and diastolic pressures both required in the definition of hypertension, or either one? Table 5, the authors may want to address why hypercholesterolemia prevalence was higher in subjects without fatty liver than those with fatty liver. In the 2nd paragraph of Discussion, the authors may want to separate the discussion on age and gender effects on fatty liver into two paragraphs. Also the 2nd last paragraph lacks a focus.