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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This manuscript by Rognant N. and Lemoine S. describes different estimating methods to determine renal function in cirrhotic patients. Authors conclude that the formula based on Cystatin C (CysC) is more accurate, reliable and robust than previous existing ones. The manuscript is well documented, updated and covers a very interesting theme. However, there are some technical issues that authors should take into account in order to improve the quality of this review. **MAJOR** There are two clearly distinguishable writing styles. The first sections of the review should be revised to prevent the lack of organization, coherence and formality. On the other hand, the second half of the manuscript is fluently written, follows a logical structure and is easy to read and understand. **MINOR** - The use of the marker NGAL should be described in more detail. - There are repeated mistakes all along the manuscript. "others formulas", "others investigators", "mains studies", "comparatively to" instead of "comparing with", "patient's" instead of "patients' " (avoid using apostrophes or informal writing) - In Table 1: "respectively" should be written behind the numeric data, not before it.



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an interesting manuscript which addresses the impact renal function in the prognosis of cirrhotic patients. Authors should resolve some major points despite this should mean re-do some parts of the paper. - Authors can not speak about AKI and Renal insufficiency as the same. They should decide what concept they want to speak about. - Creatinine is a functional marker of renal function. We cannot speak about creatinine as an injury marker. Without great changes in your manuscript you have to underline this concept. It is also important to speak about injury markers. I am sure this will add additional quality on your manuscript (This is not only my point of view, it is the point of view of Dr.Kellum from Pitsburg). - I think your point of view is basically from your speciality. Please, underline this within your paper. - If you speak about Renal Insufficiency it would be better to define it. - Abstract: Avoid examples. The abstract should be a mixture between what you have written and the core tip. - Optional: for international readers serum creatinine should be better than plasma creatinine. However, this is only an advice. I am really sorry to dissappoint you but in my opinion this should improve the quality of your paper. I am sure you should resolve as quick as posible which mainly affects the abstract, intro and first part of the manuscript.



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Summary and general comments This is an article about the clinical evaluation of renal function in patients with cirrhosis. The authors overviewed recent studies, and compared the performance between plasma creatinine and cystatin C to estimate GFR. Although some of the knowledge are well known, this manuscript may be informative to the readers of WJG. I have following observations. I recommend that the authors simplify the description in the “performance of the estimate” in Table 1, as they are hard to follow. Please change “Cystatin C” to “cystatin C” in the abstract. Please change “1.73m2” to “1.73m²” using superscript, in the page 3, 4, 5, 9, 11, 12, and 13.