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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a well written review manuscript. The criteria, limitations and applications of CEUS in the differential diagnosis of hepatic nodules in patients with liver cirrhosis were informatively described. I recommend publishing this manuscript.



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors had introduced and reviewed current application of contrast-enhanced ultrasound (CEUS) in differential diagnosis of nodules in cirrhotic liver. However, it would be great that the author could add more comments on the role of CEUS in differential diagnosis of Focal Nodular hyperplasia (FNH; a common benign hypervascular tumor in the liver) in this review article.



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In this present manuscript, Dr Kim and Dr Jang reviewed the clinical applications of CEUS in the diagnosis of nodules in liver cirrhosis, compared with traditional techniques including CT and MRI. The topic is novel and interesting. Overall, this manuscript is well planned and conducted with good writing. However, there are still some minor concerns in this manuscript. Minor comments: 1. The authors present a series of good questions as sub-titles, such as “what is CEUS” for the introduction of CEUS, and “Why do we need CEUS” for the advantage of CEUS. I am wondering why the author did not use “When do we use CEUS” for the clinical application of CEUS. 2. It would be good if the author provide a schematic picture for the work principle of CEUS. 3. Figures should be shown in a uniform format. For example, figure 9A, 9B, and 9C should be incorporated or combined into one big figure, figure 9.