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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The present manuscript by Chiang et al. is a summary of available data regarding the relation between HBV infection and metabolic disturbances. However, the content of the work should be enriched by more detailed discussion of the past data by focusing on studies with adjusted results. Because, the main drawback of those studies searching for the variations in metabolic parameters in people infected with HCV or HBV is the lack of adjusted comparisons or ratios. The authors could also discuss the differences and similarities between HBV and HCV infections in this regard. If accepted, the manuscript requires a language check before printing.



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The present article discusses about the correlation on serum adiponectin levels that were positively related HBv infections in overweight to obese subjects. However the authors should discuss any pathways involved in this. Moreover the authors should discuss about NAFLD/NASH as the components of MS (obesity, hypertension, and dyslipidaemia) are associated with the presence of NASH in patients with CH-B. The presence of hepatic fibrosis seems to be associated with known host and viral factors as well as the presence of abdominal obesity. There needs to be language polishing for better reach to the readers.



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The article is a remarkable source of information about the relationship between metabolic syndrome and adiponectin levels and the evolution of HBV. The article is too concise and needs to be clarified. The results of the various studies cited need to be discussed by the authors and a kind of expert opinion need to be given. The conclusion, which is three-line long leaves the reader lost after the citation of a long list of data.



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It should be accepted after minor revision. Minor comments: 1) The manuscript should be carefully read as some words are absent. Hence, the sentences do not read well; 2) The structure of adiponectin should be discussed on paragraph 2 on page 4 as the structure of adiponectin confers its bioactivity; 3) The relevance of fibrate to HBV should be discussed on page 6.