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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Well written and very interesting data. A few questions: Would you give more details of the methods used by WHO/GISAH to gather data? Is the age of over 15 years used to define adult population used in all countries included in the study? Would you comment on concomitant risk of drug use and viral hepatitis or HIV in the population consuming unrecorded alcohol and possible contribution of that into worsening liver disease? How about socioeconomic confounders and lack of access to medical care leading to progression of liver disease and increased mortality?.



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This manuscript is well written, clear and concise. I have just two minor comments: -in the last paragraph of Introduction where is "liver cirrhosis rates" it should be "liver cirrhosis death rates". -in the statistical part, it is not clear what "R" is since determination coefficient should be represented as R<sup>2</sup>, regression coefficient as b and correlation coefficient as r; authors should clarify this point.



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This report shows that the unrecorded alcohol consumption have influence on liver cirrhosis mortality. Recent research has shown that concerns about the toxicity of unrecorded alcohol were mostly exaggerated. Rather than by reference to alcohol quality, liver cirrhosis rates could be better explained by the higher alcoholic strength of the unrecorded alcohol consumed, problematic drinking patterns, lower socioeconomic status and poor health status and the interaction effect between these factors. Your manuscript requires only a minimal modifications. Please make sure that the English is good in some areas of the manuscript .