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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a very well-written review about some of the hemodynamic differences between viral and alcoholic cirrhosis. Overall, I think that it is written in a manner that will be helpful to physicians that are working with these types of patients. Minor points: In the porto-hepatic hemodynamics section, line 12, the authors discuss “splanchnic vasodilatation”. It is unclear what is the mechanism (or proposed mechanism) is for this dilatation. In previous lines, the authors discuss NO as a dilator activated early in the process of developing portal hypertension. It would be helpful to the reader to include the mechanism, because the casual reader might assume you meant NO as the dilator here as well. I thought the discussion regarding the differences in the optimal methodology for measuring portal hypertension was very important. I recommend that it at least has a subsection heading, so it can be found easily. The section on Alcoholic Myocardiopathy was a bit muddled. This section was written in a less clear manner than the rest of the review. I had difficulty distinguishing between differences in alcoholic changes and changes due to other kinds of cirrhosis. I would recommend a minor re-write of this section to improve clarity. The table is very good and covers the main points of the review. The abstract was kind of confusing. It is always difficult to write an abstract of a review, but a reduction in the “listing” aspect that the authors currently have and maybe focus on the key sections in the table as a guide of what to cover in the abstract.



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This is a nice review of the hemodynamic differences between alcoholic and non-alcoholic cirrhosis. The English form is awkward at several points, and would benefit from review by a native English speaker.