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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

A well written commentary including all aspects of the topic. Could you give any information about the increased costs using the spring needle device

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In their invited commentary the authors commend on a paper from Suzuki et al. entitled "An automated spring-loaded needle device ...". As an introduction to the field, the authors give an concise overview of the use of EUS guided puncture and aspiration of ascitic fluid. The most relevant literature is cited. In the second part of the commentary, the authors describe in detail the commented paper and highlight the relevant findings of the paper. The commentary is well written, the relevant details and limitations of the paper are mentioned.



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I recommend adding a small section on technical aspects of eus-p, including a description of the appearance of small volume ascites on eus, common locations for aspiration, and any other tips for success. In addition, an eus photo (preferably with a needle in the ascites) would be useful.