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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This letter needs extensive editing by an English mothertongue professional. Here follow some example of unclear sentences which need to be rephrased "There is no information regarding and inflammatory markers' levels such as ..."; "other status of the patients with NASH is not stated in the text". "Before making certain interpretations about some data presented in this article, we should accomplish the presence of misleading factors for high RDW levels". Moreover, this Referee strongly suggests to avoid repetitions: for example "we think that some points should be discussed" and "all these points raise several questions warranting discussion"



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The comment illustrates some important points that are not adequately addressed but already discussed in the published study. Comments Stylistic improvement could be helpful, e.g.: "Finally, the authors investigated the relationship between the RDW levels and the presence of NASH and also fibrotic score in patients with NASH[1]"



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I agree with your comments. RDW is not a specific marker and these issues have to be addressed by the authors of the original manuscript. Minor comments: Please revise the last sentence and also the following sentence: "There is no information regarding and inflammatory markers' levels such as C-reactive protein, tumor necrosis factor-alpha, interleukin 6, and the inflammatory status of all subjects in the study. "



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The authors provide a good and complete comment on the article. I suggest them to include to references: - Kim HM et al (Clin Mol Hepatol. 2013 Sep;19(3):258-65) - Yang W et al (Eur J Gastroenterol Hepatol. 2014 Apr;26(4):494)