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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

It is very interesting to have a noninvasive technique that allows quantification of the degree of liver fibrosis. I found the article very useful and it opens new channels in the diagnostic procedures but I was hoping it has been done on a larger sample size. You stated you are already working on a large sample size study, yet I hope it gonna be published soon. I have some suggestions to the authors: 1-The incidence of BA is stated both about Asia and Western Europe, it is more interesting and useful to add the incidence in other areas of the world, like Africa, States etc... 2-All patients were type III BA(The Japanese Society of Pediatric Surgery divided biliary atresia into three type. type I, atresia of the common bile duct; type II, atresia of the hepatic duct; and type III, atresia of the porta hepatis). It is better to be written as: The Japanese Society of Pediatric Surgery divided biliary atresia into three type. Type I, atresia of the common bile duct; type II, atresia of the hepatic duct; and type III, atresia of the porta hepatis. It was found that all the patients under study were type III BA. 3- Three types, 's' has to be added in the last sentence. 4- It was mentioned in reference 26 that one of the causes that the results of this reference were not consistent with those obtained in the actual study



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that the sample size was relatively small although it is "Thirty-five patients" which is larger than sample size used in your study.