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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

- Limitations of the study? There is any information regarding it. - Does New clichy score be able alone to to predict one-year survival in BCS or do the others scores still have a role? If so, it isn't clarified in the text.

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- The paper is well written and much work was done. -The authors should identify which method used in determining eatiology of Thrombophilia workup. -The authors mention in discussion that ( New Clichy score showed the highest sensitivity (78%) and specificity (73.3%) at a cut off value of > 3.75 regarding prediction of one-year survival)however they didnt mention any cut off value of New Clichy score in previous literature so they should focus on this finding in their research.

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Generally, this paper is well written. However, some new and important studies in this field were not discussed. First, a recent Radiology paper evaluated the shunt patency in BCS after TIPS (Hayek G, Ronot M, Plessier A, Sibert A, Abdel-Rehim M, Zappa M, Rautou PE, Valla D, Vilgrain V. Radiology. 2016 Oct 31;152641.) Second, a recent Liver International paper evaluated the prognostic role of BCS-TIPS score in Chinese BCS patients. (Qi X, Guo W, He C, Zhang W, Wu F, Yin Z, Bai M, Niu J, Yang Z, Fan D, Han G. Liver Int. 2014 Sep;34(8):1164-75. doi: 10.1111/liv.12355.) Third, a recent APT paper explored the difference in the etiology of BCS between West and China.(Qi X, Han G, Guo X, De Stefano V, Xu K, Lu Z, Xu H, Mancuso A, Zhang W, Han X, Valla DC, Fan D. Aliment Pharmacol Ther. 2016 Oct 13. doi: 10.1111/apt.13815. [Epub ahead of print] Review.) Is there any difference between West and Egypt? In my opinion, they should be discussed in this paper.

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Thank you for the opportunity to review this manuscript. This paper retrospectively evaluates whether various prognostic indices are related to the one year survival of Egyptian patients with Budd-Chiari syndrome in a single centre. The findings will be useful to clinicians treating these patients in Egypt, but also to the "Budd-Chiari" community as a whole. On the whole I cannot identify any major issues with the manuscript, there are just a few minor point which I would like the authors to address in the text. -It would be useful for the authors to explicitly state how the Child-Pugh score was calculated in the methods section as they have done with the other PIs - as calculating the new-clichy PI uses the pugh score, which includes the bilirubin levels and serum albumin its calculation I would prefer if the authors deleted the word "independent" from page 11 second from bottom line. -Could the authors please clarify at which point the PIs were calculated, at initial presentation? Prior to treatment? -Table 1, use of OCP is only relevant for the female patients in the study. I believe the authors adjusted for this when they discuss the results in the main text, but not in this table. Could they please adjust this here as well and indicate this in the legend. -A strength



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of this study is the authors were able to look at a number of patients over a 9 year time frame. It would be of further benefit to the readers if the authors could add a comment on how 1 year survival related to longer term prognosis - is the first year after diagnosis a critical period?

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Well written paper, but BCS patients have different characteristics according to ethnic and geographical reports. So all prognostic indexes could be more or less good in stratifying patients in clinical trials, but not enough to use a single prognostic index in the management of an individual patient. I think it should be clarified in conclusions.