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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

A lot of interesting points were found in this manuscript. But there are some points to be reconsidered. [Major points] 1. About the exclusion criteria, were there any cases with ascites? In case with ascites, the value of TE is known to change. 2. How many operators performed the measurement of TE. If the operators were more than one person, please consider the concordance rate of their technics about TE examination. 3. Please describe the numbers (or percentage) of right, middle and left hepatic vein used on the measurement of HVPG. 4. All information of table 3 was already described in the text, therefore, this table should be deleted. 5. About Figure 3, all best cut-off values (Se, Spe, PPV, NPV and accuracy) should be described. And please move all information of Table 4 into figure 3. 6. A lot of sentences are duplicated in discussion session. "We also ~" (p 12, lines 5 - 10) and "Our study ~" (p 14, lines 5 - 12). Please be concise the discussion session. 7. The sentences "In conclusion ~" (p 16, lines 7 -19) are also duplicated. I think these sentences are unnecessary. [Minor points] 1. The abbreviation (SPH, VSPH) needs the description (p 12, line 5). 2. Please check the value of TE. Is the value of 21.8kPa correct? (21.6kPa?) (p 14, line 12) 3. The



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abbreviation needs the description in table 2.

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Although this study is not a new one as the authors agree it is important as this is the first study in a south Asian population where the predominant cause is NAFLD. The authors acknowledge the weakness in a retrospective study.

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I think that authors check documents well. There is a question. Do you not divide the virus into HBV, HCV? I think that the coefficient of correlation of figure 1 is low. When you distribute an object for cause distinction, the compensation period and the non-compensation period, does correlation become good?