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PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this study, the authors attempted to screen out clinical laboratory indicators that could predict Metabolic Dysfunction-Associated Steatotic Liver Disease (MASLD). They included a number of such patients and healthy controls and counted several common clinical measures. It was found that the red blood cell distribution width-to-platelet ratio (RPR) might be a predictor of hepatic fibrosis in Metabolic Dysfunction-Associated Steatotic Liver Disease (MASLD). This is an interesting topic and has good potential clinical value. However, the following information needs to be further clarified and supplemented by the author. The medical records of enrolled patients were incomplete, such as information on medications received before the laboratory indicator test needed to be supplemented. Is there a difference in diagnostic efficiency between male and female patients with RPR? Since MASLD is a chronic disease that progresses gradually, is the change of RPR related to the course of the disease? The above information is



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recommended to be supplemented in the table and discussed where necessary. In addition, the number of enrolled patients and controls was relatively small, so it is recommended to increase the number of enrolled patients as much as possible.