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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Extensive data and research has been done in hepatology for evaluation of different prognostic scores. The CANONIC study brought a paradigm shift in understanding ACLF. Authors have reviewed the literature thoroughly and found that CLIF-SOFA score has been found to be best for prognostication of patients with ACLF.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The title partly reflects the main subject of the manuscript. The abstract and key words summarize and reflect the work described in the manuscript. The background describes the significance of the study. The methodology is scientific. The conclusion has certain guiding significance for clinical practice. The discussion part is sufficient, but the results and conclusions of this study are not discussed in depth. The illustrations and tables reflect the content of the articles, while the table which showed 50 included articles lacks title and note. The references cite recent literature, but the format should be unified. The language grammar is accurate and appropriate. This article is a systematic review, and the PRISMA 2009 listing has been provided. The manuscript discusses in various scoring systems in ACLF prognosis assessment, draw a CLIF-SOFA score in predicting the short-term prognosis of patients with ACLF is superior to other models. CLIF-SOFA and CLIF-C scores could accurately predict the short-term and long-term mortality of patients with ACLF, which might guide the selection and application of prognostic evaluation model for patients with ACLF. This study has some limitations: The title of this study is "CLIF-SOFA and CLIF-C scores for the prognostication of Acute-on-Chronic Liver Failure", while many research object is not patients with ACLF. The CLIF-C AD score shouldn't be used for prognostication evaluation of patients with ACLF. The article does not clearly distinguish AD from ACLF. "These results indicate that liver failure is not necessary for the diagnosis of ACLF when distinguishing ACLF" is mentioned in "Core tip", while the basis is not found throughout the paper, please explain in detail. For the specific modification requirements to the author, please see the attachment.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

ABSTRACT: CLIF-SOFA does not distinguish AD from ACLF. It does detect de presence of ACLF in patients with or without AD, and classifies the ACLF into three grades. Core tip: Conclusion is different from abstract conclusion, and from the article conclusion. ACLF includes liver failure in its nomenclature. Discussion: The objectives of the study should be on the end of introduction, before Methods. Conclusion: The aim of the study should match the conclusion. The first table is very interesting, though it thus not have a number or a title. Tables 1 and 2 are not necessary and should be removed. The study is on CLIF-SOFA

RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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Corrections have been made and the final article has been improved. Unfortunately, the aim of the study is in the middle of the introduction, as it should be at the end of the introduction, before methods. I still believe that tables explaining child and meld in a specialist journal are unnecessary.