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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

it is concise pre-primary and primary prophylaxis of esophageal varices bleeding. my minor comments: *few grammar mistakes should be corrected i.e. EVL should be EBL, meaning of NSBB on abstract should be given. * the concept of pre-primary and primary prophylaxis should be defined in introduction. * the literature on ACE and aldacton inhibitors should be summarized or the sentence at conclusion should be omitted. * a summary table or follow chart can be added.



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I have revised the manuscript entitled "Primary prevention of bleeding from esophageal varices in patients with liver cirrhosis". I would like to congratulate the authors for their solid revision, and only have one minor comment: In the abstract if you use NSBBs as abbreviation, you should add "non-selective beta blockers"



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This is a concise review and well written, clearly addressing the main issues on primary prevention of bleeding from esophageal varices. I only have two minor comments: - on page 6, first paragraph: when the authors stated that "NSBBs reduce portal pressure; however, they seem to have no effect on the size of varices" I believe they mean that NSBBs have no effect on the development of esophageal varices (and not on its size). - I don't think that the authors should refer to NSBBs as "vasoconstrictors" as they did in the conclusion, despite the fact that these drugs present some vasoconstriction properties (as they mentioned for the arteriolar splanchnic circulation).