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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

an interesting article, but several misunderstandings. PAN affects more than the tunica media. The authors overstate the information in their reference 1. It is pan-vascular, affecting all layers. The core tip -"even when it has an autoimmune disease" does not seem to make sense. PT of 54% is an unusual way of reporting and standard PT 54 certainly would not have INR 1.34. I believe the term abscess is misused. There is not an infectious process. Suggesting "good results" is without meaning, without identifying what was measured. If the liver and gallbladder where only affected organs, then perhaps there was no need for long term therapy after resection?

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This case report describes spontaneous liver rupture due to polyarteritis nodosa which was treated by surgical intervention. Although the paper is well written, it requires some revisions as follows. 1: One table for demonstrating all blood sample data should be added. 2: It should be discussed whether interventional treatment such as TAE was possible or not, instead of right hepatectomy.

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This case report, although interesting, needs major English revision. The paper needs also some support in term of a stronger adherence to the appropriate medical language and terminology. The following are only a few of those sentences with no clear meaning or without adequate medical description: - Spontaneous hepatic rupture is a rare entity with very few cases in the literature reviewed; even when it has an autoimmune disease such etiology ( aetiology) and with no previous trauma: ? the last sentence is not very clear. - abdominal hemorrhage: should be better intrabdominal - except (for) chronic anemia - with (an) outpatient follow up - she is referred: should be she was - the patient's blood pressure was near the low end of normality: better medical language - palpation proved pain predominantly: better medical language - With this scenario: better medical language - Where liver damage was reported in the form of a right hepatic lobe lesion with poorly defined and confluent contours: better medical language - With some hyperdense areas that could be a hematoma a bleeding liver injury: this probably is a lesion not an injury - Hemoperitoneum was present in all abdominal quadrants: hemoperitoneum should not be usually referred per se to abdominal quadrants, may be clots or free blood in the abdomen - after drug suspension: better



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medical term - Hepatic involvement may be of a PAN clinical profile obliteration of small vasculature? - the diagnosis of PAN was learned: better medical language - a right hepatectomy surgery : better medical language - Therefore an extensive and exhaustive history is required: better medical language. I have some additional questions and observations: there was a visible "blushing" from the liver parenchyma on CT scan? It would be adequate some more specific surgical details and discussion about intraoperative control of bleeding and general surgical strategy during right hepatectomy. This case report should give also to readers, in the opinion of Authors, a clear algorithm for surgical and/or non surgical management in stable and unstable patients with spontaneous liver rupture.