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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

To the authors, 1. The first comment is that your study is not the first to compare liver stiffness in patients with untreated hepatitis C and those with SVR using shear wave elastography (please, see Core tip, page 5). As far as I remember there is an article published last year by a Japanese team in WJG! 2. Fig. 2 and Fig 3 may be deleted as reading is difficult for most readers of the Journal and correlations between Vs and other parameters both in SVR and na?ve groups are given in details in Results. 3. There are a few spelling errors; please, make corrections

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1. In introduction, the authors declared that "Shear wave elastography (SWE) is a new technology that gauges liver stiffness by measuring the propagation velocity of shear waves generated in liver tissue". Shear wave elastography (SWE) is not only a liver stiffness measurement technology. This sentence should be corrected. 2. In MATERIALS AND METHODS "The system was adjusted so that SVD was 4 cm or less". What is the meaning of "SVD"? 3. In MATERIALS AND METHODS. "The result was considered reliable only when 10 successful shots and a measurement success rate >80% were obtained". You must explain this sentence. Moreover, how many measurements did you take? Were your measurements randomized? Who did the measurements? What is your experience on SWE? 4. In conclusion: You said that "In the SVR group, liver stiffness measurements with SWE may be a predictor of hepatocarcinogenesis." You need to work with hepatocarcinogenesis and cirrhotic patients to put forward such a result. It was a very ambitious evaluation. It would be appropriate to revise the discussion.