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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This review first describes the use of HTS in treatment of CF focusing on its efficacy and tolerability. The paper is well-written, and well-organized. I have only two minor comments. 1. Which concentrations of Na is the best? 2. HTS treatment is associated with an improvement in lung function. Please discuss the effect of HTS on the lung function in detail.

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors present a fascinating, expert update on the literature regarding the effects of hypertonic saline on neutrophil-related pulmonary inflammation and immune regulation in cystic fibrosis. With the exception of scattered and minor misspellings and grammatical errors, this is an exceptional review.

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a very well written narrative review. I think it highlights the potential role for hypertonic saline nebulisation for the management of inflammation and infection in the CF cohort. My only major concern is the absence of information for the reader on the search strategy or evaluation of the quality of the evidence included in the review.