

## **Answering Reviewers**

Dear sir or madam,

We thank you for your comments. We respond below to your questions:

1. The radiologists examining the US and CEUS were either certified radiologists (5–15 years of experience) or residents (9 months to 5 years of practice) under the supervision of a certified radiologist present at the US department. There are usually 2–4 radiologists present at our US department at any given time, and it is very common for them to consult amongst one another. A senior radiologist (9–14 years of experience) specializing in liver imaging was usually consulted in unclear cases.
2. MRI is still an expensive examination in the Czech Republic, and one that for many patients is poorly accessible due to the small number of devices available in the region and their high workload. Therefore, we use CT rather than MRI as the second-line examination method after inconclusive CEUS findings.

If you will have any further questions, please feel free to contact us.

Best regards,

The team of authors

