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We thank the expert reviewer for his thoughtful and constructive critique. We have incorporated the additional information requested in the revised manuscript.

The first paragraph of the results section of the revised version of the manuscript now reads: "Of the 34 patients, 8 persons (6 men and 2 women) had a history of prior admissions for alcoholic hepatitis and the index admission was felt to represent an acute exacerbation of chronic alcoholic liver disease. The remainder had presented with acute alcoholic hepatitis. One patient had liver biopsy performed which had revealed histopathological features of steato-hepatitis. Three persons had serum antibodies to hepatitis C, but none had circulating hepatitis B surface antigen."