Reviewer’s report

Title: Rapid decline of noninvasive fibrosis index values in patients with hepatitis C receiving treatment with direct-acting antiviral agents

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The study design is simple evaluating some parameters before, during and after therapy of chronic hepatitis C with DAAs. The conclusion meets the objectives and the method applied before and after therapeutic intervention shows the results.

However, the main issue to be reviewed is the form of the manuscript. The paper is too long and needs to be more concise and objective.

Hence, the results are repeated in the Results and in Figures.

We suggest doing a large Table with the data of the phases of the intervention on the top line and the variables analyzed in the left column, removing the data described in the Results section.

Some Tables should be suppressed and the data described at this new large Table.

The averages of all variables evaluated would be accompanied by the respective SD.

Finally, the Discussion section is too long and not very objective, we suggest reducing.

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