Reviewer’s report

Title: Zinc supplementation in patients with cirrhosis and hepatic encephalopathy: A systematic review and meta-analysis

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Reviewer: Craig McClain

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This is generally a well-written article. There are minor grammatical errors that need correcting. I did not see any figure legends. Figure legends are needed to make the figures more clear.

Lastly, I have a concern about zinc supplementation recommendations.

Some investigators in older articles were utilizing relatively high doses of zinc. It should be emphasized that this is zinc salt, and not elemental zinc. For example, 220mg of zinc sulphate is only 50mg of elemental zinc. It is generally recommended that most patients receive no more than 50mg of elemental zinc per day. I think the authors should add a cautionary note concerning this.

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