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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

HS patients with nonalcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) had been reported only sporadically. This study found that HS patients displayed a high prevalence of NAFLD, which is worthy of clinical attention. It is recommended that some minor issues be



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corrected before publication. 1. Line 214, “above” should be deleted. 2. Line 290, “This findings” should be changed to “These findings”. 3. Line 521-522 and 533, “Nonalcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD)” should be replaced by “non-alcoholic fatty liver (NAFL)”. NAFLD in Table I and Table II should be changed to NAFL. 4. It is recommended that “=1” in all tables be deleted.

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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This article entitled “Nonalcoholic fatty liver disease prevalence in an Italian cohort of patients with hidradenitis suppurativa” by Damiani G et al is interesting in its field. The authors evaluate the prevalence and characteristics of NASH/NAFL in HS patients. This



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article is well written with few typos inside. Here are some comments : 1. Table 1 shall not be divided into table 2 and table 3. 2. Writing format shall be adjusted ( numbering table, sub title and sub sub title, etc) 3. The more intriguing question is whether any correlation between HS and NASH/NAFL which was not answered in the study. 4. Despite dividing into 3 groups which are HS only patients, HS and NASH, HS and NAFL, it would be more suit to the title if author analyze it by dividing into 2 groups, HS only patient and HS/NAFLD (both NASH and NAFL). 5. Apparently, there is no association between inflammatory comorbidities and the event of HS since in table 1 mentioned that Inflammatory comorbidities were present in only 3.9% of HS only patients. How the author explain this according to the aim of the study and the statement 'confirm the recent idea that HS is a systemic inflammatory disease' (line 288). The conclusion and the method used in this study is still questionable such a statement "fever is a systemic inflammatory disease"

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