Reviewer’s report

Title: The Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test for Consumption (AUDIT-C) is more useful than pre-existing laboratory tests for predicting hazardous drinking: a cross-sectional study

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1. There is a discrepancy in manuscript. It needs more explanation.

One hundred eighty-one patients were excluded because of lack of hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg) and/or hepatitis C virus (HCV) antibody, and 334 patients were included in this study

Eighteen patients (5.4%) were positive for HBsAg, and 42 patients (12.6%) were positive for HCV antibodies

2. There is no new idea in the study. As far as the criteria of hazardous drink is related to amount of drinking, AUDIT would be much better to predict since it also has similar questions. If the author wants to focus negligence of drinking risk based on AST/ALT, they should explain more details about why just lab test is not enough to reflect the problem.

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