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Dr. Ze-Mao Gong
Editor, World Journal of Hepatology

Ref: ESPS Manuscript NO: 19144
Title: Chaperones in Hepatitis C Virus Infection
Dear Dr. Gong,

Thank you for the constructive comments. I am submitting this revised manuscript for your review. We have responded to all critiques and believe this has significantly improved the manuscript. Additionally we have updated a few references and co-chaperones (minor). Our point by point responses are detailed below.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Samuel French'.

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Comments:

The review paper by Khachatoorian & French is well written and should be published after correction of few typing errors; p. 11, l. 16. "The NS2 alone protein" should be "The NS2 alone." p. 12, l. 39. "screen" should be "screening."

➤ **These changes have been made.**

The manuscript needs to edit English. In addition, it is useful for showing a table about HSP types with their functions. The Novelty of study is determined because there are many articles on HSPs and their functions.

- **We have made numerous edits to the text to improve the English.**
- **We have added an extensive table listing the HSP types and their functions.**
- **Regarding novelty, this is the first review describing the roles chaperones play in HCV production.**