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## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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**Manuscript NO:** 35446

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**Reviewer's code:** 03656599

**Reviewer's country:** China

**Science editor:** Yuan Qi

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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> The same title	<input type="checkbox"/> High priority for publication
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Duplicate publication	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rejection
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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This review summarizes the patterns of HCV infection, particularly the impact of increased intravenous drug users on the incidence of HCV. This paper describes the challenges and opportunities of hot issues of hepatitis C and new drugs for hepatitis C treatment.



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**COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Taherkhani R, et al. review global elimination of hepatitis C virus infection and discuss progresses and the remaining challenges in this manuscript. English writing is excellent and this review is worthy enough for publication in WJG in this present form. Major and minor comments There are no major and minor comments.



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Sir/Madam, Authors should include the following: 1) Social and economic side of HCV elimination : drug subsidy, IPR aspects, initiatives by various government agencies globally. 2) Mechanisms of vaccines failures: what we learned from failures 3) Emerging drug resistance and strategic planning to avoid the same. 4) Table gives a list of vaccine trials but no follow up data: why they failed or what is the current status 5) Minor degree of language polishing.



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Lot of language and grammar mistakes • Abstract: = most of these infections remains undiagnosed..... most of these infections remain undiagnosed • Hepatitis C virus: - This might happen through transfusion of blood and blood products, surgery, organ transplantation, intravenous drug use, tattooing, hemodialysis, unsafe injection practices and sexual intercourse.....No mention at all of the peri-natal transmission!!! - HCV is the causative agents of hepatitis C infection.....this goes without saying!!! - grey-colored stool,.....strange description - yellow skin and eyes..... yellow skin and sclera of the eyes • Progresses in the management of hepatitis C virus infection: -These novel antiviral drugs, despite having considerable advantages over conventional IFN-based therapy, suffer from the resistance-associated mutations, which occur naturally during the replication of the virus and select under the pressure of DAAs. The emergence of HCV resistance-associated variants (RAVs) decreases the susceptibility to



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DAA's and finally results in treatment failure [38,44-46]. .....I believe this paragraph is highlighting the rare failure of DAA's rather than emphasizing their well reported high cure rates - An additional test called HCV RNA test or reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction assay (RT-PCR) is needed to determine if a person is currently infected with HCV [17,79-81].....This "additional test called....." is now in the ABC's of hepatology laboratory • Remaining challenges to eliminating hepatitis C virus infection: - Considering the fact that most of these infections remains undiagnosed..... Considering the fact that most of these infections remain undiagnosed - paving the way for a gradual increase in the prevalence of genotype 3, which is mostly transmitted by injection drug use (IDU) [145-147].....This IDU abbreviation has been mentioned before, why to repeat it?