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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Firstly, congratulations to the authors on highlighting an observation that HCC incidence and entecavir treatment are linked, but they have varied outcomes based on the genotype of HBV. Secondly, an in depth analysis from published resources, reporting long term observations on HCC incidence in entecavir treatment group provides a thorough analysis for this observation.