



PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Title: Update on the association of Hepatitis B and intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma: is there new evidence?

Reviewer's code: 00503530

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Scientific quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish
Language quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
Re-review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I think this manuscript is a polite review of many reports. I think the appearance of the manuscript is good. It has been investigated in detail, but could the following points be related? 1. Relationship with HBV genotype 2. Relationship with Occult HBV Infection
If you have any reports, please add them.



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The manuscript by Fragkou N et al. summarizes the latest evidences on the possible association between hepatitis B virus (HBV) and intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma (iCCA) development. The authors, through an exhaustive review of the literature, state that HBV infection increases the risk to develop iCCA in different population cohorts around the world, albeit not all the mentioned studies found this correlation. Moreover, a pathological mechanism involving inflammation and viral gene expression could underlie carcinogenesis. Finally, a better overall survival is attributed to HBV-associated iCCA patients, since these tumors are usually diagnosed at early stages and therefore, amenable for surgical resection. Additionally, antiviral treatment has also exhibited some benefits for these patients. The manuscript contains some interesting data; however, there are some points to keep in consideration: Comments: 1. An "Abstract" section should be included 2. A working model summarizing the potential pathological mechanism/s (with diagnostic markers) should be included. 3. The review explains the association between HBV infection and iCCA. However, there are some sections (e.g., management of unresectable disease and some sub-section of treatment of iCCA) where this association is practically absent, being only focused on iCCA. If possible it should be link this information with HBV infection. 4. The manuscript should be thoroughly revised in order to correct typos. 5. The abbreviations should be defined the first time they are mentioned in the text. 6. Numeric separators should be included. 7. It should be interesting to explain some inconsistencies found between studies in order to a better understand.



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RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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