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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The review article of this study is interesting. However, major revisions are needed for publication. 1) Virologic features of influenza B should be described. 2) The differences of influenza A and B in epidemiology, virology, host factor, clinical features, treatment, prognosis, vaccine, etc. should be summarized in a table. 3) Moreover, figures should be used to help reader to understand this article. 4) English should be improved.



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1. In the introduction section you mention three Influenza types, A, B and C. You briefly relate to the illness and severity caused by type A and B but no mention of type C. For those not knowledgeable of this area, it would be beneficial to briefly relate to type C as well before you concentrate on type B, which is the subject of the article. 2. In the Epidemiology and disease burden section, you relate to the relative lineage described by Mancinelli et al in Italy for the years 2012-2013, however, a recent thorough analysis of the epidemiological signature of influenza B virus and its B/Victoria and B/Yamagata lineages in the 21st century by Caini et al (PLoS One, p2019 Sep 12;14(9):e0222381) should be referenced as well, as it included > 1.8 million influenza cases that occurred in thirty-one countries during 2000-2018. 3. Please give a reference to the statement that "The cases occur usually from December" in the Clinical Features Section. My understanding from the article published in Nature. 2015 Jul 9; 523(7559): 217-220. called "Global circulation patterns of seasonal influenza viruses vary with antigenic drift" is that the influenza infections occur at different seasons depending on the geographic location. 4. In the section "How is Influenza B different from Influenza A" adding a table comparing the various parameters reviewed could be beneficial to the reader. I suggest adding one. 5. Several sentences are not clear as a word or words are missing. Please carefully revise all the manuscript as this repeats itself many times. For example: a. A "should be" seems to be missing in the following sentence "Nasopharyngeal and nasal swab samples to be obtained from influenza affected children should be transported to the laboratory in a viral universal transport medium." b. "The samples should be either processed immediately or stored at -80 °C for up to two days before testing." c. The neuraminidase inhibitors are effective drugs for treating influenza B illness in children. d. "High fever especially an abrupt onset is common. Febrile convulsions reported in 9% of children. Rhinorrhea and cough are the usual



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manifestations. Vomiting or diarrhea may occur 25% and headache occurs in 25%. Myalgia or myositis may be present in 15%.” 6. Please revise the following sentence, as it is not clear: “The 2-mg/kg/dose of oseltamivir found to provide exposure to the active metabolite oseltamivir carboxylate equivalent to that effective dose for the treatment of influenza in adults, 75 mg twice a day.”.



RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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