

To: Jing Yu,
Science Editor, Editorial Office
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Dear Dr. Yu,

I thank both referees very much for the useful suggestions that helped us to improve the overall quality of the manuscript entitled “*Human Bocavirus: Current Knowledge and Future Challenges*” (ID 26096).

The paper has been revised according to the referees’ suggestions/indications and the revised paper is now ready to be submitted. Notably, in response to the reviewer 1 (**code 03209803**), we have reviewed the whole paper making it shorter, more precise and more concise in order to give a more readable text. We have also reduced the number of references and updated them. In response to reviewer 2 (**code 03387215**) we have completed the revision accepting all the (minor) points raised and all his/her suggestions.

Please find enclosed the revised manuscript with the language editing certificate.

Best regards,

Marcello Guido

Reviewer’s code: 03209803

Comments to the Author:

The review of the HBOV is well-rounded information, including CLASSIFICATION, BIOLOGY EPIDEMIOLOGY, DIAGNOSTICS, and PATHOGENESIS. Well-rounded information. So it is a good review about HBOV. But some comments need to take into account. 1.The review is too long-some contents is repetitive with being long-winded. So it needs to shorten. 2.The references are too much and need to cut. 3.ABSTRACT need to concise and to the point. 4.INTRODUCTION looks like a summary for the whole review, so needs to rewrite.

Answers to the Reviewer

The review has been shortened thoroughly and all the repetitive parts eliminated (1.). Also, the number of references has been significantly shortened (2.). The abstract has been made more concise (3.) and the introduction has been significantly modified to introduce the following sections (4.)

Reviewer’s code: 03387215

Comments to the Author:

The manuscript entitled “*Human Bocavirus: Current Knowledge and Future Challenges*” describes an overview of the current knowledge on HBoVs, discussing topics referred to taxonomy, (molecular) biology, epidemiology, pathogenesis and diagnosis methods. It also presents the emerging challenges concerning the natural course of infection and its pathogenic role in the associated disease. A review like this is lacking up to date. The text is comprehensive and the data

presented about the prevalence of HBoVs in respiratory and gastrointestinal samples are exceptional. The literature cited is wide-ranging and updated. As well, the conclusions are very appropriate and contribute to further enrich the reading. Only minor suggestions are made, which are marked in the text.

Answers to the Reviewer

All the comments/suggestions/etc. of the reviewer have been accepted as indicated. Also, the text has been polished to make it more concise and readable in the various sections.