

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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**Title:** Challenge of hepatitis C in Egypt and hepatitis B in Mauritania

**Reviewer's code:** 03269732

**Reviewer's country:** China

**Science editor:** Fang-Fang Ji

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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept	Peer-Review:
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language	(High priority)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good	polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept	<input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of	(General priority)	Peer-reviewer's expertise on the
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not	language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision	topic of the manuscript:
publish	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> General
			<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
			<input type="checkbox"/> No

### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Chronic liver disease due to HCV and HBV infection are the heavy burden of the whole world. Egypt and Mauritania are the severely afflicted area of HCV and HBV, respectively. This paper has reviewed the epidemiology, modes of transmission, predisposing factors, and treatment of HCV in Egypt ,and HBV Mauritania. The



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information can be used as the reference by the police maker in the two countries and WHO, which will be helpful to realize the WHO strategic objectives of HCV elimination by the year of 2030. The paper is worthy to be published. There are some spelling mistakes in the manuscript, please revise them and further check the paper carefully.

#### **INITIAL REVIEW OF THE MANUSCRIPT**

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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The manuscript entitled "The Challenge of Viral Hepatitis in North Africa: Hepatitis C in Egypt and Hepatitis B in Mauritania" by Raad et al., describes the prevalence and treatment efforts of HCV in Egypt and HBV in Mauritania. It is apparently a review of the related literature. It is well-written and presented and gives insights into the source

of epidemic and treatment approaches.

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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The subject is interesting and the manuscript represents valuable information. However, I don't think the epidemiology of viral hepatitis in Egypt and Mauritania could represent the North Africa. On the other hand, although the first part represents adequate data on the epidemiology of HCV in Egypt, the second part on HBV epidemiology in Mauritania



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does contain only limited information. The second part also seems to be unsuitably connected to the first part. There are multiple English grammar mistakes in the text. The reference for table 1 should be provided. There is no conclusive discussion at the end of manuscript to relate the 2 parts together.

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