

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Review time: 10 Hours

SCIENTIFIC QUALITY	LANGUAGE QUALITY	CONCLUSION	PEER-REVIEWER STATEMENTS
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept	Peer-Review:
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language	(High priority)	<input type="checkbox"/> Anonymous
<input 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

I have experienced that patients with chronic HBV infection progressed to liver fibrosis without a significant flare-up of hepatitis activity. I also supposed that HBV itself might be associated with the stimulation of fibrogenesis via immunopathogenesis. I think that



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the manuscript is very nicely written and may be helpful for the hepatologists and researchers. I made some proofreading for some errors.

INITIAL REVIEW OF THE MANUSCRIPT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

A very well written manuscript. The topic is interesting and references are updated. Information is comprehensive and well organized. It reflects the current status of our understanding of the interplay between HBV and the immune system. I believe it will be



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of utmost interest for the readers.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a review that summarized the current studies about immune suppression in chronic hepatitis B infection associated liver disease. The review is very detailed and well summarized. The only big suggestion I would have is as below; It is true that the



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host immune response has a role whether it clears the virus or induces liver disease. However, that is not the only factor. Though immune reaction is different between adult and neonate, the rate of vertical infection depends on so many factors such as maternal HBV DNA load, etc.

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