

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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<b>Scientific quality</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input 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 Grade E: Do not publish
<b>Language quality</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
<b>Conclusion</b>	<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
<b>Re-review</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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**statements**

Conflicts-of-Interest: [ ] Yes [Y] No

**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

1. In Introduction section, Delete “Although it has been widely used clinically for almost five decades with adequate antiviral benefit, the lack of randomized controlled trials (RCTs) to confirm its efficacy and the abundance of multimodal in vivo studies on mechanisms of action cause confusion to physicians, resulting in suboptimal targeting and efficacy.” Ribavirin use for HCV has already been established (Omata M, et al. J Viral Hepat. 2014 Nov;21(11):762-8.; Kanda T, et al. Biology (Basel). 2017 May 9;6(2):30.).
2. In Introduction section, Delete “Evidence regarding the clinical use of RBV for most infectious diseases remains conflicting.” I agree to some extent. But authors should explain more. See: Kanda T, et al. J Viral Hepat. 2004 Nov;11(6):479-87.
3. In RBV CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY section, please refer the more references.

## RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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<b>Language quality</b>	<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
<b>Conclusion</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The authors have revised the manuscript in accordance with the peer-review report and the criteria for manuscript revision by authors, and have responded to the questions raised in the peer review report.