

## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this review Kaewdech A et al., discuss the current evidence of the outcomes following stopping antiviral treatment in chronic hepatitis B. The manuscript is well written, clear and interesting. The literature cited is exhaustive and at the same time concise respect to the topic addressed. I would suggest to add some explicatory tables and/or images to facilitate the reading; In my opinion, the paper is suitable for publication.

### Response to reviewer

- Thank you for you comments. We already added one more figure to summarize the information about pros and cons of stopping antiviral in chronic hepatitis B, as well as edited the preexisting figure to be more attractive.

## EDITORIAL OFFICE'S COMMENTS

(1) Science editor: 1 Scientific quality: The manuscript describes a review of the challenges in the discontinuation of chronic hepatitis B antiviral agent. The topic is within the scope of the WJH. (1) Classification: Grade B; (2) Summary of the Peer-Review Report: The manuscript is well written, clear, and interesting. The literature cited is exhaustive and at the same time concise respect to the topic addressed. The questions raised by the reviewers should be answered; (3) Format: There are 6 tables and 1 figure; **(4) References: A total of 101 references are cited, including 40 references published in the last 3 years; (5) Self-cited references: There are 3 self-cited references. The self-referencing rates should be less than 10%. Please keep the reasonable self-citations (i.e., those that are most closely related to the topic of the manuscript) and remove all other improper self-citations.** If the authors fail to address the critical issue of self-citation, the editing process of this manuscript will be terminated; and (6) References recommendations: The authors have the right to refuse to cite improper references recommended by the peer reviewer(s), especially references published by the peer reviewer(s) him/herself (themselves). If the authors find the peer reviewer(s) request for the authors to cite improper references published by him/herself

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### **Response to reviewer**

- Thank you for the comments, we already edited the manuscript and tables & figures according to the comments and format guidelines. To be more specific to the comments:

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