

Dear Editor,

please find enclosed the revised manuscript in Word format (file name "Revised manuscript").

Title: Role of biliary complication in chronic graft rejection after living donor liver transplantation

We acknowledge the time and effort that you and the reviewers have dedicated to providing us your precious feedback on this *Letter to the Editor*.

Reviewer 1

1) you should remove this sentence that 'Generally, Factors exposing patients to higher odds for CGR include the number and gravity of acute rejection incidents, episodes of CGR that require re-transplantation and prolonged cold ischemia time. Further, patient-related factors like advanced donor age and constellations with male donors and female recipients play a crucial role. Lastly, genetically unrelated donors display higher risk of CGR compared to genetically related donors in living donor liver transplantation (LDLT)'. 2) what do you mean for sentence that ' We hereby acknowledge the histological and clinical challenges in differentiating between CGR and other causes of post-transplant cholangiopathy (PTC)'. is the post-transplant cholangiopathy a conclusion from CGR or cause ? I thing you firstly should emphasize.

Answer Reviewer 1

Thank you so much. We fully agree with this and have incorporated your suggestion throughout the manuscript. Accordingly, we have removed the paragraph *from our manuscript*. Also, we have further elaborated the sentence 'We hereby acknowledge the histological and clinical challenges in differentiating between CGR and other causes of post-transplant cholangiopathy (PTC)' and hope that the context is clearer now.

Reviewer 2

Without seeing the full text of the paper, it is difficult to draw correct conclusions.

Answer Reviewer 2

Thank you for your comment; you have raised an important point here.

We look forward to hearing from you in due time regarding our submission and to respond to any further questions and comments you may have.

Sincerely,

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