



PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Scientific quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish
Novelty of this manuscript	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: No novelty
Creativity or innovation of this manuscript	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: No creativity or innovation



Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: No scientific significance
Language quality	<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
Conclusion	<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
Re-review	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This “LETTER TO THE EDITOR” mainly made a comment on the recent paper by Zhang et al published in World Journal of Clinical Cases. Although this letter provided some controversial issues from the published paper by Zhang et al, below some suggestions may be helpful for shaping this letter.

1. Please refer to recent papers published in World Journal of Clinical Cases and correct the format, such as: In page 1, Running title, Abstract and Core Tip section should be added according to the journal’s requirements. In page 2, “Letter to the Editor” should be changed to “TO THE EDITOR”, “figure 2” should be changed to “Figure 2”. In page 6, “References” should be changed to “REFERENCES”. In page 2, “anti-SARS-CoV-2” in the “...Chinese anti-SARS-CoV-2...” should be given in full name.

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suggestions have been listed in the uploaded revised version.



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Respected Editor, thank you for sending over this manuscript for review. Please find my comments as follow: I completely agree with the points raised in this letter to editor. One critical point that is not raised and should be added is that the biggest limitation of the case report oc CMT1X is that it is a case report, which can only comment on a POSSIBLE association. It can in no capacity comment on causation, either confirmed or possible. To confirm a causation a case control study will be needed. To propose a causation a cross sectional study showing a temporal association is needed. Hence in a case report even a proposition of causation cannot be given. I recommend authors to ponder on this and possibly add it in the letter if they agree.