

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Title: Accelerating the Elimination of Hepatitis C in Kuwait: An Expert Opinion

Reviewer's code: 03715067

Position: Peer Reviewer

Academic degree: MD, PhD

Professional title: Doctor, Professor

Reviewer's Country/Territory: France

Author's Country/Territory: Kuwait

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Review time: 1 Day and 2 Hours

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 Grade E: Do not publish
Language quality	<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
Conclusion	<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
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 Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I reviewed the manuscript titled "Accelerating the Elimination of Hepatitis C in Kuwait: An Expert Opinion". It summarized experts' opinion on how to eradicate HCV infection in Kuwait. As compared to what has been done or is currently done in/by some countries it is not enough ambitious. For example whereas three quarters of the population is non-Kuwaiti citizens, i.e. they are imported labourers or expatriates these categories of persons will not be tested. it is also not clear whether DAA therapy will be provided for free for all HCV RNA (+) persons. The text is too wordy. References 61 and 62 in the text do not match with those from the reference section.

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Title: Accelerating the Elimination of Hepatitis C in Kuwait: An Expert Opinion

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Position: Peer Reviewer

Academic degree: MD

Professional title: Academic Research, Associate Professor, Doctor

Reviewer's Country/Territory: Turkey

Author's Country/Territory: Kuwait

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Review time: 1 Day and 22 Hours

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
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input 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 Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

It is good manuscript.

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Title: Accelerating the Elimination of Hepatitis C in Kuwait: An Expert Opinion

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Academic degree: PhD

Professional title: Attending Doctor, Professor

Reviewer's Country/Territory: China

Author's Country/Territory: Kuwait

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Review time: 5 Days and 9 Hours

Scientific quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input checked="" 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
Language quality	<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
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input type="checkbox"/> Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This paper introduced the strategy and recommendations for accelerating the elimination of HCV in Kuwait. This is helpful to realize the WHO strategy to eliminate viral hepatitis as a public health threat by 2030. And It also has reference value to other countries. So it is deserved to be published. Minor revision 1、 As the availability of DAAs is the key factors to eliminate HCV infection. Please add the related information of DAAs that can be got in Kuwait, such as the name, type, price, etc. 2. Discovery is a precursor to therapy. Please add more detailed HCV screening methods in Kuwait.