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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Dear Authors: Thank you for sending your manuscript (Title: Virological response and resistance mutations to NS3A inhibitors in HCV-HIV coinfection) to the World Journal of Hematology for publishing. Your manuscript presented a clinical observation in evaluating the treatment with telaprevir or boceprevir in combination with pegylated interferon and ribavirin for HIV-HCV coinfectd patients. This is a good topic which meets the mission of WJH. The data analysis and statistics are reasonable. However, there three main concerns in your manuscript: (1) no approved research protocol from institutional ethic committee and a signed informed consent from patients or their representative; (2) no placebo-controls or other kind of controls for your observation; (3) as if your manuscript is still in writing and unfinished. Therefore, I am suggesting you and your colleagues to finish it for further reviewing. Thank you, Sincerely, A reviewer for WJH.

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This is not a good study. The wrighting of the manuscript is not so good and, many defects were present. These defects are mainly as follows. 1. In Methods section, In NS3 genotyping part, there is no sufficiently detailed information provided for the primers used in RT-PCR, and nested PCR, and their sites in HCV genome. 2. The meaning of the sentence "Then, in the case of negative PCR amplification, a nested PCR was performed" is not so easy to understand. 3. In Results section, there is no sufficiently detailed description for genotyping the cloned HCV sequences. Is it performed according the NS3 protease region or not? 4. There is no detailed information about the nucleotide or amino acid sequences about the analyzed cloned gene provided. 5. It is known that in the plasma of the chronic HCV infected patient harbors many of mutations or quasispecies, so only a single sequence within the NS3 protease region could not provide significant information about the real conditions of the infection. In the manuscript, the information about the mutations of nucleotide or amino acid sequence does not support the validity of the therapeutic efficiency and antiviral resistance. 6. There is no information about the criterion for HIV infection provided. Is it only based



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HIV-RNA detection or not? Why all the HIV-RNA in the patient plasma was undetectable after they received antiretroviral treatment? Is there any clinical practice references could be listed? 7. The tables and figure are not so formal and easy to understand.



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This manuscript needed for English editing. But however it of very good idea and provide important clinical answers.