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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the new revised manuscript entitled “Trends and Outcomes of Liver Transplantation among Older Recipients in the United States”. We have read all the reviewers’ comments along with the most recent reviewer’s comments. We do appreciate the reviewers’ efforts in pointing out the areas for improvement.

We have made significant changes to the manuscript taking into consideration the comments made by the reviewers. All major changes in the new manuscript are highlighted in yellow in the new manuscript. We hope the changes are sufficient with respect to the comments raised by the reviewers. We look forward to your positive response.

With my best regards,

Sincerely,

Kenji Okumura

Specific Comments to Authors:

Well conducted paper, with nice statistical analysis. The title, abstract and key words are in concordance with the manuscript. The conclusions, concordant with real life patients, reflect a high number of patient from the database. The results and discussions hope they change the transplant practice.

Answers: We thank the review and the comments.

Specific Comments to Authors: 1. General • Standard font type and size should be there across the manuscript. • The use of verbs and articles in the manuscript is missing in many places • Some of the sentences need revision as they are either hard to understand or incomplete. • An abbreviation of all short forms like NASH, HCV, MELD, etc. must be provided wherever it is used for the first time. • References need to be relooked. 2. Specific • The title needs modification, a simple but unique, direct, catchy, focused title would be better. The article intends to provide trends and outcomes of LT, in my opinion, a related title would be a better option. • Abstract- as abstract gives the information regarding the entire work, thus it should be a crisp summary that provides the gist of the work. The conclusion is unable to reveal its purpose. • Keywords help us identify related articles, and they should help for the searching database so words like HCC, HCV, and NASH may not be a good option as keywords. • In-depth reading and revision of the article would help improve the manuscript's Quality.

Answers: We thank the review and the comments. We re-review our manuscript and have changed the title, abstract and main manuscripts. We have checked the sentences and changed the tit agree with the reviewer on their comments.

4 LANGUAGE POLISHING REQUIREMENTS FOR REVISED MANUSCRIPTS
SUBMITTED BY AUTHORS WHO ARE NON-NATIVE SPEAKERS OF ENGLISH

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Answer: the revised manuscript has been reviewed and corrected for any issues related to grammar or language.

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Answer:

The revised manuscript was formatted to adhere to the above guidelines.

6 EDITORIAL OFFICE'S COMMENTS

Authors must revise the manuscript according to the Editorial Office's comments and suggestions, which are listed below:

(1) Science editor:

This manuscript aimed to describe the recent trend of liver transplants, especially in the elderly population. In general, the wrong font type and size, the missing use of verbs and articles in the manuscript in many places, and grammar problems should be noticed and corrected. Acronyms in the table need to be given full names in the table annotation so that readers can better understand the information in the table. In terms of details, a simple and direct title would be better. The conclusion is unable to reveal its purpose. In-depth reading and revision of the article would help improve the manuscript's Quality.

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

Scientific Quality: Grade C (Good)

(2) Company editor-in-chief:

I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report, full text of the manuscript, and the relevant ethics documents, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Transplantation, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted. I have sent the manuscript to the author(s) for its revision according to the Peer-Review Report, Editorial Office's comments and the Criteria for Manuscript Revision by Authors. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor. In order to respect and protect the author's intellectual property rights and prevent others from misappropriating figures without the author's authorization or abusing figures without indicating the source, we will indicate the author's copyright for figures originally generated by the author, and if the author has used a figure published elsewhere or that is copyrighted, the author needs to be authorized by the previous publisher or the copyright holder and/or indicate the reference source and copyrights. Please check and confirm whether the figures are original (i.e. generated de novo by the author(s) for this paper). If the picture is 'original', the author needs to add the following

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