

# PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Manuscript NO: 87636

Title: Anti-Thymocyte Globulin (ATG) for Treatment of T- Cell-mediated Allograft

Rejection

Provenance and peer review: Invited Manuscript; Externally peer reviewed

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	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [ ] Grade B: Very good [Y] Grade C:
Scientific quality	Good [ ] Grade D: Fair [ ] Grade E: Do not publish
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Novelty of this manuscript	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [ ] Grade B: Good [ ] Grade C: Fair [ Y] Grade D: No novelty
Creativity or innovation of this manuscript	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [ ] Grade B: Good [ ] Grade C: Fair [ Y] Grade D: No creativity or innovation



Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [ ] Grade B: Good [ ] Grade C: Fair [ Y] Grade D: No scientific significance
Language quality	[ ] Grade A: Priority publishing [Y] Grade B: Minor language polishing [ ] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [ ] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[ ] Accept (High priority) [ ] Accept (General priority) [ Y] Minor revision [ ] Major revision [ ] Rejection
Re-review	[ ]Yes [Y]No
Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: [Y] Anonymous [ ] Onymous  Conflicts-of-Interest: [ ] Yes [Y] No

# SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I compliment the authors, the article is well written, only minor style problems such as using the term "alteration" (better to use change, for instance). The section "Treatment of T Cell-Mediated Rejection" should include and comment on randomized trials addressing the subject.



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Thanks to the authors: I have the following points: 1. I didn't find a new message from this mini-review. Even it fits the design of a literature review rather than a narrative review manuscript. Furthermore, there is no description of how they reviewed the literature. 2. It needs restructuring and better subheadings with proper descriptions and evidence under each one. The thoughts are mixed between different categories, like the mechanism of action, dosing, etc. 3. Even when they described the triple maintenance therapy, they missed the well-described SYMPHONY Trial, which consolidated the evidence about Induction therapy with ATG and Maintenance with TAC+MMF+PRD. 4. There are many redundancies in the writing. 5. There is no actual proper definition of steroid-resistant Acute TCMR. 6. The authors referred to the study by Hanaway et al. (Ref Number 33, NEJM 2011). They used the study's conclusion of using Alemtuzumab as induction compared to ATG and Basiliximab. They converted it as a treatment for acute rejection!! 7. It would be great if authors added data about the emerging evidence of Anti ATG Antibodies, which is one of the causes of failing ATG therapy and how it should be tackled. 8. There should be a special topic about ATG



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The article is within the scope of the magazine and deals with an interesting topic. It is well written and organized. Reading is fluid. A well-designed experiment is presented and the results are discussed. The contribution is original and novel, and represents an advance in the area of knowledge. However, some aspects should be improved: a) The state of the art should be expanded in the field of the experiment. b) The materials and methods used should be explained.