

February 21st, 2020

Re: Manuscript No. 53520

Dear Editor,

thank you for your letter of February 20th and the possibility of resubmitting our revised manuscript titled "Emerging and neglected zoonoses in transplant population" for consideration for publication in the *World Journal of Transplantation*.

We have carefully considered the reviewers' comments, and have revised the manuscript accordingly. The changes are marked **in red** in the revised manuscript. Below are the answers to specific reviewers' comments.

Reviewer #1:

Solid organ transplantation (SOT) is an increasingly successful treatment option for patients with many acute or chronic conditions that cause irreversible and severe organ dysfunction. In the last 20 years, significant advancements in SOT have been made possible because of the rapid expansion in immunosuppressive medications. However, the side effects of these drugs can be severe and not well calibrated treatments may lead to an immunosuppression state resulting in development of microbial infections. This article by Mrzljak et al. reviews what is presently known about epidemiology, pathogenesis, and clinical manifestations of emerging and neglected zoonoses in SOT recipients. The exercise may be useful since the pathogenic potentials of some zoonoses are poorly understood. The article makes a pleasant and useful reading for those in the field and may help expand the knowledge on this important issue. The manuscript is well prepared, information is clearly and concisely described and discussed in good English.

We thank the reviewer for positive remarks.

Reviewer #2:

This is an interesting. I suggest you provide evidence that the number of zoonoses diseases are increasing as stated by you. Further the Table should contain the diagnostic criteria for each zoonosis

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

We thank the reviewer for the positive remarks, and agree about the comments regarding the evidence of the increasing zoonotic infections which we have added in the text accordingly. As suggested, we have added diagnostic criteria for each zoonosis in the Table. We have also corrected several typos and additionally revised manuscript for grammar and language.

We thank the reviewers for recognizing the presented mini-review as a good scientific effort, as well as for the useful and constructive remarks. We hope that we have improved the clarity and interpretation of data in the revised manuscript and that as such it will meet the reviewers' requirements and be suitable for publication in the *World Journal of Transplantation*.

Thank you again for the privilege of submitting our work to *World Journal of Transplantation*.

Sincerely,

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