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Reference to the reviewers comments regarding language evaluation category, during round I review process of the manuscript, titled, "Hepatitis C virus prevalence and genotype distribution in Pakistan: A comprehensive review of recent data", followings are the grades allotted to this manuscript by the respected four reviewers:

REVIEWER – 1 (ref. # 02528523) → Grade B: minor language polishing

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In lieu of the aforementioned comments, the manuscript was thoroughly proof read and its English language was improved by authors. Moreover, this manuscript was also submitted to one of our English native language speaker colleague Professor Rob Briddon (who is British and working in our institute as a Foreign Faculty). He has carefully proof read and improved the language of this manuscript significantly. I can confirm that all of his corrections and suggestions have been incorporated and his contribution has also been mentioned in the acknowledgement section. We hope that all of these improvements will contribute in the upgradation of this manuscript to Grade A: priority publishing category, which will help in the acceptance of this review article to your esteemed journal. In case of any further query related to the scientific and language quality of this manuscript, please never hesitate to ask the undersigned.

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