

Dear editor

I appreciate the comments and made the suggested changes:

Introduction reduced, references reviewed, PMID included, tables, and images, edited in PowerPoint.

Reviewer 1.

I am grateful for the issues that contributed significantly to the improvement of the text.

1. We approach the studies of other autoimmune diseases, describe the effects, pathophysiology, and mechanisms of HSCT. Answers are on the text and ref: 12-21

2.3.4 We report studies with promising results ref (20, 35, 36) and studies with non-significant results ref: due to a particular endpoint, ref 33 and contested by us and published ref.34

5. The data presented refer to cases submitted to HSCT in our institution. The data only applies to the remission or relapse observed in the sample until December 2019.

6. There is no defined criterion for the indication of the procedure. They are currently restricted to refractory patients to conventional treatments, as can be seen in the inclusion criteria added to the text.

Reviewer 2

I appreciate your suggestions and contribution:

1- We reduced the introduction and subdivided the information to points that we consider relevant to readers, such as the rationale and justifications for HSCT in Crohn's Disease.

2. As a result of a request from the other reviewer, we had to generalize some information about HSCT in other diseases.

3. We added the criteria for inclusion and exclusion of the procedure, which is similar in all studies.

4. The protocol is described in the sequence of the various studies. It is the non-myeloablative conditioning regime with cyclophosphamide and ATG.

5. About the institutions, we only quote and correct in the text until the date of December. We have the information that nine patients have undergone the procedure in other institutions. We do not have additional information.

Apologize once again to the editors of the WJSC and the reviewers for the delay in the response that is due to the moment that we are going through and the activities that I develop in an edition of on Autoimmune Diseases Book. I inform you that the text was revised and six new references

in addition to those requested by the reviewer 1. Two new references were added (52)(53) One of then referring to Brazil, just published that contribute to a position paper of the Brazilian Society for the introduction of the standard procedure for CD patients ref42. Next, we present data recently published in BMT regarding the allogeneic transplant in CD, mention pending in the previous text.

I am available for any additional modifications that may be necessary.

Best regards