



**PEER-REVIEW REPORT**

**Name of journal:** World Journal of Gastroenterology

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**Title:** Towards hepatitis C virus elimination: Egyptian experience, achievements, and limitations

**Reviewer’s code:** 00187828

**Reviewer’s country:** Turkey

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SCIENTIFIC QUALITY	LANGUAGE QUALITY	CONCLUSION	PEER-REVIEWER STATEMENTS
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept	Peer-Review:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing	(High priority)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept	<input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing	(General priority)	Peer-reviewer’s expertise on the topic of the manuscript:
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced
		<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision	<input type="checkbox"/> General
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
			<input type="checkbox"/> No

**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The manuscript entitled "Towards HCV elimination: Egyptian experience, achievements and limitations" has been evaluated as follows; It is well-written and presented. Although it needs some language polishing. Clearly the authors discuss the eradication



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of HCV from Egyptian population. Although it is a very huge problem, Ministry of Health and drug companies are providing resources for the eradication of the HCV virus. It is a good example to see Egyptian experience in the eradication of HCV.

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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Egypt is known as the country with the highest HCV infection rate in the world. In recent years DAA has appeared in the field of HCV treatment and treatment of HCV has changed dramatically, many people including compensated liver cirrhosis are able to be



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treated, and it seems that DAA is a great trump card in the treatment of HCV, but it holds true for only cases in developed countries. DAA is very expensive, treatment of HCV is a financial burden. This review also considers HCV treatment in developing countries from health policy and financial aspects and Egypt can be a role model on health policy of many developing countries in Asia. Major 1. We often experience the development of HCC after chronic hepatitis C treatment, but how do you think about post-treatment follow up program? Do you regularly check abdominal US or check tumor markers? What is the most cost-effective method?

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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The review article written by Omran et al. describes historical and comprehensive battles against HCV infection in Egypt. The review could give important insight to other countries for future strategy for eradication of HCV infection.



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