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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this well-written and up to date editorial Biasiolo et al evaluated novel biomarkers that may be useful for the clinical management of HCV infected patients. I have a few comments that hope may be useful to further improve the manuscript: - the title should reflect more closely that the manuscript is focused on the risk of progression to fibrosis and HCC - concerning genetic markers, independent recent meta-analyses have confirmed that PNPLA3 I148M variant is an independent risk factor for liver disease progression and HCC development in CHC -it would be worth comment on which markers may be useful in the new scenario where patients with advanced CHC are cured from the infection and should be screened for complications



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This article is about new biomarkers for the management of HCV infected patients. The following suggestions are for its improvement. 1 The authors are suggested to introduce these biomarkers in more detail or design a table to compare the features of these markers. 2 Hepatitis viruses are different geographically. For example, in the western world HCV is dominant while in Asia except Japan HBV is dominant. And in Egypt and most part of Africa, co-infection by HCV and HBV is common. 3 More importantly, when the biomarkers are detected in a patient, the following management must be recommended. 4 Typo and grammatical errors exist.