



## ESPS JOURNAL EDITOR-IN-CHIEF'S REVIEW REPORT

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ACADEMIC CONTENT EVALUATION	LANGUAGE QUALITY EVALUATION	CONCLUSION
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> High priority for publication
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Revision
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejected	<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection

### JOURNAL EDITOR-IN-CHIEF (ASSOCIATE EDITOR) COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The presented review article of Dr. Coppola and colleagues is of high interest for the readers of WJH and well written. The authors successfully implemented the criticisms and comments raised by the reviewers in the revised version of the manuscript. The language meets the requirements for publication. There are only very minor typing errors which should be corrected, e.g., in the Abstract section, line 8. and ‘...is amajor cause of...’ should read ‘...is a major cause...’. Although the review article is well performed, I suggest adding some comment concerning the management, follow-up, and testing of health care personnel (HCP) post exposure to HBV and HCV. There is no comment on baseline testing for anti-HCV and ALT and follow-up testing for anti-HCV (e.g., at 4-6 month) and testing for HBV, e.g., follow-up testing of anti-HBs (e.g., 1-2 month). Also, some words concerning initial post exposure management directly after contact with body fluids is missing, e.g., that mucosa should be flushed with water etc.. Therefore, I consider accepting the manuscript for publication in WJH after minor revision.