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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Revision manuscript WJG2013 "The direct effects of hepatitis C virus on the lymphoid cells" by Kondo Y and Shimosegawa T The review by Kondo and Shimosegawa addresses an important aspect of HCV persistent infection, that is, the role of cell reservoir in the recurrence of HCV infection after PEG-IFN/ribavirin treatment and the effect of hepatitis C virus infection in the pathogenesis of autoimmune diseases and malignant lymphomas. The authors summarize the most recent findings on the argument including some works carried out in their own laboratories. I think the review is instructive, and interesting for a broad readership. Minor points: Check typing mistakes. Below are reported some of them: Page 5, Title, correct "HCV infection in PBMCA" with "HCV infection in PBMCs" Page 5, line 10, correct "pegirated-interferon" with "pegylated-interferon" Page 13, line 2, change "lymphotrpic" with "Lynphotropic" References should be formatted according to journal style

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I read the paper “The direct effects of hepatitis C virus on the lymphoid cells” with great interest. In this article, the authors summarized studies showing the direct effect of HCV on lymphoid cells and discuss the biological significance of lymphotropic HCV. The manuscript is generally well written, however, there are a few errors which I have highlighted and I have suggested changes which make the manuscript easier to read. Page 2: “The direct effects of HCC on lymphoid cells have not been clarified yet”. I think it should be HCV. Page 3: “...at risk of progressing to hepatic fibrosis, cirrhosis and HCC[1, 2]”. When HCC first appears, the full name should be mentioned. Page 5: “The role of virus reservoir HCV infection in PBMCA”. PBMCA should be PBMCs. Page 5: “especially HIV co-infected patients[18]” should be “especially in HIV co-infected patients[18]”. Page 9: “However, a negative relationship between HCV and NHL was also reported in low HCV prevalence countries”. In statistics, a relationship between two variables is negative if the slope in a corresponding graph is negative, or – what is in some contexts equivalent – if the correlation between them is negative. Negative correlation is also variously called anti-correlation or inverse correlation. I think the authors want to express that no association between HCV and NHL was found.

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This review article on the effects on HCV on the lymphoid cells is well written by Kondo and Shimosegawa who are well established in the field. The authors have provided up-to-date informations, the article is appropriately subdivided in sub-titles and discussed with relevant citations. I thoroughly enjoyed reading this article. I have no concern if this article is published in the present form.