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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This review well analyzes the state of art of POCT and tests for HCV infection and alternative and / or complementary test to biopsy for hepatic fibrosis staging. comments 1) page 5: even if the sentence is intuitive explain "thus, scfreening effective and fast diagnosis of HCV are higly relevant for ...?" 2) page: 6 check whether the term low PPV in low-risk population is correct or if it goes sotiuito with low specificity? 3) indicate the significance of SEPTA (Page 15) and HA (p 17)



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The authors showed the recent advances in diagnosing tools for chronic hepatitis C and hepatic fibrosis staging. They summarized several methods from different groups or different companies that are very important announcement. There are only several minor comments. Minor Page5line11; “detect” might be “direct”. Page5line12; What is “HCV-specific total antibodies” ? Please specify the word “total”. Table5; footnotes concerning abbreviations should be added.