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<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Grade C (Good)	<input type="checkbox"/> [ Y] Grade C: a great deal of language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] No records	<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Rejection
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<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Grade E (Poor)		<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Existed	<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Major revision
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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an interesting summary of the current knowledge of the gene variants associated with the predisposition to Hepatitis B. I have only few minor concerns 1) There are several typos that need to be checked. 2) The author should discuss the role of the PNPLA3 in the progression of viral hepatitis. 3) The following papers need to be quoted and their results should be discussed in details. -New loci associated with chronic hepatitis B virus infection in Han Chinese. Hu Z, Liu Y, Zhai X, Dai J, Jin G, Wang L, Zhu L, Yang Y, Liu J, Chu M, Wen J, Xie K, Du G, Wang Q, Zhou Y, Cao M, Liu L, He Y, Wang Y, Zhou G, Jia W, Lu J, Li S, Liu J, Yang H, Shi Y, Zhou W, Shen H. Nat Genet. 2013 Oct 27. doi: 10.1038/ng.280 -Genome-wide association study of chronic hepatitis B virus infection reveals a novel candidate risk allele on 11q22.3. Al-Qahtani A, Khalak HG, Alkuraya FS, Al-Hamoudy W, Alswat K, Al Balwi MA, Al Abdulkareem I, Sanai FM, Abdo AA. J Med Genet. 2013 Nov;50(11):725-32.



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1) The review described more in detail that these highly variable outcomes in both clearance rates and disease outcomes in persistently infected individuals with hepatitis B were correlated with host genetic factors (including HLA, cytokines, chemokines, other candidate genes). 2) The review is more important guidance to know about the HBV infected mechanisms and treat HBV infection.



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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors tried to review the human genes involved in HBV infection. It is an important issue. The authors need to rewrite the review article, and include some figures and tables to increase the readability of the manuscript.



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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This article is well described and is well documented and the table provides a summary of the different polymorphisms associated with HBV clearance and persistent infection.