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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A (Excellent)	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority Publishing	Google Search:	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept
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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors are advised to put in consideration the suggested remarks provided in the area of comments to author. Minor Comment: ? The editing of the manuscript needs minor revision. ? Language level: A 1. TITLE Reflect the major content of the article. 2. ABSTRACT fulfill the journal requirements. 3. Text: The section is almost well organized; an overall theoretical analysis concerning the provided data is well covered. Figures are descriptive and informative, however and in order to satisfy the reader, the authors are better to describe the structure of HBV genome as four overlapping open reading frames (S, C, and X & P) as well as their translated viral proteins. Also, the following point is better to be considered: ? Nuclear export of HBV RNA: Third paragraph: Huang et al. (1996) HAS TO BE CORRECTED: Huang and Yen (1996)38. 4. References: Relevant and sufficient updated references, especially the most current literatures were cited (60/91 references were cited from publications ≥ 2008, 18 of them are within the current year [2013]). The journal style for writing this section is well maintained, however, PMID was missing for references No: 5 and 67.



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The manuscript appropriately reviews post-transcriptional regulation of gene expression in the HBV lifecycle, which are aspects that are uncommonly investigated, nevertheless puts into a clinical context these informations. However, to my opinion the only modification that is worthy to provide regards the last section. Indeed a speculation about drugs derived from natural products is beyond the aim of the paper and decreases the scientific value of the manuscript. This section should be integrated in the conclusions, underling that there is not enough evidence to support the clinical usefulness of those substances.