

ESPS Peer-review Report**Name of Journal:** World Journal of Gastroenterology**ESPS Manuscript NO:** 9258**Title:** Alcoholic Hepatitis and Concomitant Hepatitis C Virus Infection**Reviewer code:** 00011088**Science editor:** Su-Xin Gou**Date sent for review:** 2014-02-08 11:12**Date reviewed:** 2014-02-16 01:39

CLASSIFICATION	LANGUAGE EVALUATION	RECOMMENDATION	CONCLUSION
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A (Excellent)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority Publishing	Google Search:	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B (Very good)	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: minor language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Existed	<input checked="" 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"/> No records	<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D (Fair)		BPG Search:	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E (Poor)	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: rejected	<input type="checkbox"/> Existed	<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision
		<input type="checkbox"/> No records	

COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This review deals with a challenging and relatively obscure topic as the coexistence of HCV infection and alcoholic liver disease, particularly with alcoholic hepatitis. All the epidemiological, pathogenetic, clinical and management-related issues have been extensively covered. Language is proper, apart very few misspellings. References, which have to be revised and corrected, according with the editorial recommendations, are relatively few compared to what is usually required for a review, but this may reflect the scarcity of studies on this topic. This review is a valid contribute to better understanding of the dangerous association of HCV infection and alcoholic hepatitis.

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Shoreibah et al, carry out a review about acute alcoholic hepatitis and HCV virus infection. The authors review epidemiological, pathological and management data. They conclude that the co-existence of both entities is quite prevalent between acute alcoholic patients and with a worse prognosis, but unfortunately there are few data about prognosis tools and treatment on literature. The review is easy to read although there are quite a few typing mistakes, such as in the second heading "in" should be in capital letters, in page four at the beginning of the second paragraph it should be written "Pooled homogeneous data" instead of "Pooled data homogeneous data", in page 5 authors should correct the sentence "Higher inpatient mortality inpatient mortality" and there are some other misspellings that should be corrected. References should be adapted to the WJG rules and maybe they should be increased to reach the usual numbers observed in a review.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B (Very good)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: minor language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Existed	<input type="checkbox"/> High priority for publication
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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Review comments for ESPS (WJG) Manuscript 9258: I enjoyed reading the manuscript "Alcoholic Hepatitis and Concomitant Hepatitis C Virus Infection" by Shoreibah et al. This manuscript reviews the recent studies about alcoholic hepatitis and HCV in the sections including epidemiological, pathological and management data. I believe that this review seems to be comprehensive and useful for readers of The Journal. And I think this manuscript can be accepted with a revision. One main problem with this review is insufficient literatures, and some the latest developments related issues should be included. For example, Tumurbaatar et al (Hepatitis C and alcohol exacerbate liver injury by suppression of FOXO3. Am J Pathol 2013 Dec; 183(6):1803-14) and Foka et al (Hepatitis C virus modulates lipid regulatory factor Angiopoietin-like 3 gene expression by repressing HNF-1 α activity. J Hepatol. 2014 Jan;60(1):30-8.) studies should be included and discuss in the section of "PATHOGENESIS OF INTERACTION OF HEPATITIS C AND ALCOHOLIC HEPATITIS". And a nationwide analysis by Thuluvath et al (Hepatitis C as a prognostic indicator among noncirrhotic patients hospitalized with alcoholic hepatitis. Can J Gastroenterol. 2013 Nov;27(11):639-42.) also should be included in the section of "IMPACT OF HEPATITIS C ON OUTCOME OF ALCOHOLIC HEPATITIS". In addition, some of the data and conclusions need to identify sources of literature, such as the sentence "In a recent analysis of the National Inpatient Sample (NIS) database.....in 2007 to be around 7-8%." and "This is likely due to increasing awareness 93% of 488 gastroenterologists and hepatologists reported" in the section of "PREVALENCE OF HEPATITIS C in ALCOHOLIC HEPATITIS PATIENTS" in page 4, "In an analysis of NIS database of over 100,000 HCV negative AH patients (3.8% vs. 3.1%; P=0.001)" in the section of "IMPACT OF



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HEPATITIS C ON OUTCOME OF ALCOHOLIC HEPATITIS" in page 6, etc. Minor comments: 1) References marked need to refer to the journal format. 2) The language is excellent, exclude a few typing mistakes, such as "Higher inpatient mortality inpatient mortality", etc