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The connections between HBV, autophagy and miRNA and their role in tumorogenesis development addressed in this review, look very reasonable. There are lot of contradictions in this complicated topic, but all of them are related to the limited understanding how all three things work together in HCC induction. The part how modulation of autophagy may be used for the treatment modalities of HBV-HCC should be even more discussed since the dual role of autophagy in the regulation of HBV replication and HCC development questions, whether the effectachieved by up-regulation of autophagy in HCC would be really beneficial.



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This review article by Wu SY et al. reported "The emerging role of autophagy and microRNA in hepatitis B virus-related hepatocellular carcinoma". They reported the emerging role of autophagy and miRNAs in HBV replication and pathogenesis. This article shows sufficient quality to publish in WJG.