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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This manuscript is a well written review of infection and immune dysfunction in human ALF. While the review is not exhaustive due to limitations of length, it is thorough and appropriately directs readers to further reading where appropriate. The only area I would recommend for revision is Table 1, which is rather selective and does not effectively summarise the wealth of studies on cellular immune dysfunction in ALF. This should be expanded to be more comprehensive or could legitimately be omitted due to this being an overview for a more general readership.



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The authors review extensively the topic of the Role of Inflammation and Infection in the Pathogenesis of Human Acute Liver Failure (ALF). The manuscript is well written and sections are quite well delineated and clear. However, there are a few aspects that may raise some suggestions. TLR-9 and neutrophilic involvement is poorly explained and needs to be expanded. A figure with drawings of the NLRP3 inflammasome cascade should be added. It is important to add more clarity in the inflammasome activation and at which level non-TLR-9 may be potential pitfalls in addressing the pathogenesis question of ALF. In addition, the authors should address the influence of calcium flux, mtROS, mitochondrial membrane potential dysregulation, autophagic dysfunction, and TXNIP with more clarity. The literature has some flaws, e.g. ref 10 has the wrong surname. Godhev K. Manakkat Vijay is the right name and is misspelled in the manuscript!



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The present review article summarizes the current knowledge on the role of inflammation and infection in the pathogenesis of ALF. The topic is up to date and important. The review itself is concise and well written. Comments: - Please explain in more detail the concept of the so called inflammasome. - The article would strongly benefit from a figure explaining the immunological processes including immunological mediators in ALF. - Few spelling errors