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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors have presented an interesting study of 27 patients who have undergone ABO incompatible liver transplantation. They present their own immunological protocol and the outcome of the 27 patients concentrating particularly on the incidence of ischaemic biliary injury. These data are very interesting and demonstrate that with careful attention to detail it is possible to achieve a satisfactory outcome in this group of patients. There are a small number of grammatical errors in the manuscript that will no doubt be dealt with at a future editorial stage. One such example is 'further researches'. The discussion is too long and this could be partly addressed by moving the rationale for splenectomy in these patients to the introduction rather than having this in the discussion section. Otherwise this is a good manuscript & is worthy of publication.



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The authors described occurrence and risk factor of ischemic-type biliary lesion (ITBL) after ABO incompatible adult living donor liver transplantation (ABO-I-ALDLT) with analyzing their institutions experiences. It seems very interesting attempt. However, In my own experiences with more than 100 cases of ABO-I-ALDLT, ITBL discussed in this manuscript has not been seen at all after the induction of B-cell depletion protocol using almost same as used in this manuscript. Therefore, I could not realize the significance of this condition. In order to specify the significance of this condition, the following issues must be discussed. 1. Long-term outcomes of total cases of ALDLT and comparison of those between ABO-identical/compatible and ABO-incompatible cases in the authors' institution must be given. Furthermore, causes of graft loss of each failed case were extensively discussed. 2. In the Section of Introduction, the authors addressed the AMR as the main cause of graft loss after ABO-I-ALDLT referring very old article concerning ABO-incompatible LT. The article used for the reference was very important but no longer suitable for addressing current problems regarding ABO-I-ALT. Moreover, the authors addressed ITBL as a consequence of AMR.



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The logical basis of this should be given. 3. I have an impression that currently reported ITBL cases were seen in institutions that do not use hepatic arterial infusion (HAI) or portal infusion (PI) therapy although difference between case with and without HAI was not significant in this manuscript. In our institution, HAI or PI has been used and no cases of ITBL were seen. Use of HAI or PI should be specifically discussed in Discussion section.



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1. Authors have to discuss how to treat NK cell problems. 2. Other possible factors except NK cells need ore detail discussion. 3. Discussion needs to be shortened.