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			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The review summarizes important aspects of HIV-associated liver damage. The important role of bystanders like alcohol is addressed. Some immunological aspects and the liver-gut axis are discussed. Comments 1. There is some evidence that the load of antigen is essential to trigger the liver damage. Concerning T-cells an inverse correlation



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of load and T-cell function is assumed. The topic should be addressed concerning HIV and the viral load. 2. The co-infection with hepatotropic viruses is addressed in the body of the manuscript but not in the abstract. 3. In the Figure, therapeutic targets should be marked.

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This manuscript is an interesting review, and with some significance. I suggest more latest References should be involved in this paper.

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