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**COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Dear Authors, I have read with great interest the manuscript entitled Role of adiponectin to induce liver steatosis in chronic hepatitis C infection. The review is clinically exhaustive and “well written”; it takes a complete overview over this condition. The introduction satisfactory give the background to the core of the review. In Chapter 2 the physiological role of adiponectin was clearly described. An interaction between gut microbiota, liver-gut axis, bile acid metabolism and adiponectin hepato-protective function was recently speculated; despite the large amount of confounding data, a brief comment should be added. Finally, I suggest to include and discuss the influence of genetic factors (in primis PNPLA3) [Valenti L. et al.] but also Adiponectin (ADIPOQ) rs2241766, +45?G?>?T and r150299, +276?G?>?T polymorphisms in the development of HCV-induced or HCV-related liver steatosis.



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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Congratulations. This is a very well conducted brief review article. In my opinion, the authors describe with clarity the most important points about the link between low adiponectin levels and hepatic steatosis in patients with chronic hepatitis C. The review is written according to the journal guidelines. I like that they rightly discuss about adiponectin as a therapeutic target for steatosis.



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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Peta et al. reviewed the adiponectin and hepatic steatosis in the patients with chronic hepatitis C. This review looks important in this area. 1. Authors should cite recent article, entitled, "No correlation between PNPLA3 rs738409 genotype and fatty liver and hepatic cirrhosis in Japanese patients with HCV. Nakamura M, Kanda T, Nakamoto S, Miyamura T, Jiang X, Wu S, Yokosuka O. PLoS One. 2013 Dec 11;8(12):e81312." 2. However, authors should make language correction before re-submission. In page 4, line 14, .....infected with HCV who.... In page 5, HCV-3, HCV genotype 3 In page 9, line 6, .....infected with HCV.....



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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors addressed in the present manuscript the potential role of adiponectin in the pathogenesis of liver steatosis in chronic hepatitis C infection. The paper was properly organized and written. The authors reviewed the biological effect of adiponectin and its receptors in the progression of liver steatosis in the HCV-infected patients. More importantly, they further dissected the possible therapeutic role of adiponectin for the treatment of fatty liver diseases, which may have important consequences in the development of therapeutic strategies. However, the title of the manuscript can be improved to emphasize the hepato-protective role and anti-inflammatory activity of adiponectin.



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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an interesting review of adiponectin on hepatic steatosis, and it is well written. I have no specific comment.