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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Article "Management of patients with hepatitis C infection and renal disease" by Bunchorntavakul C et al. is according to my opinion, acceptable for publication. This article is very interesting for persons involved in area of hepatitis C infection and end-stage renal disease (ESRD). The authors explained influence of HCV infection on the kidney function especially in the patients with already impaired renal function (patients with ESRD and patients with kidney transplantation). They made an overview of therapeutic management of HCV in these patients. First they started with well known drugs for HCV infection as interferons, pegylated interferons and ribavirin. Also they made attention to new drugs as direct acting antivirals. They presented dosage modification for patient with renal impairment who needs interferon or/and ribavirin. Also they presented pharmacokinetic and metabolic parameters of selected direct acting antivirals. The special focus was made on management of HCV in patients with ESRD and in the kidney transplant recipients. At the end they made an overview about influence of hepatitis C virus on kidney, especially mixed cryoglobulinemia-associated glomerulonephritis. According to me this article is worthwhile for publishing.



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Interesting review. Minor points the first sentence in core tips ie decreased graft and patient survival should be referenced. Additionally next to last line of first paragraph of introduction Importantly the liver related morbidity...general population should be referenced Section of pharmacologic issues. The authors comment of IFN alfa 2A having a restricted volume of distribution and the PEG-IFN having a larger volume of distribution. The numbers quoted show the opposite In the Ribavirin cection RBC is used when it should be RBV Sobosbuvir and simeprevir-based therapy section "and weal" drug interactions needs to be revised eg which would have Section of mixed cryoglobulinemia second paragraph 41 degrees C should be 4 The authors probably shopuld comment that a large percentage of individuals with hepatitis C develop diabetes mellitus and the renal disease may be secondary to DM or without hepatitis C type of changes.