

## ESPS PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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CLASSIFICATION	LANGUAGE EVALUATION	SCIENTIFIC MISCONDUCT	CONCLUSION
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing	Google Search:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> The same title	<input type="checkbox"/> High priority for publication
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good		<input type="checkbox"/> Duplicate publication	
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Plagiarism	<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejected	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision
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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

We reviewed with interest the paper entitled: "Hepatitis Delta Virus: making the point on what has changed in terms of epidemiology, natural history and outcome. From virus isolation up to 2014" by Romeo (# 16868). The author carried out a concise but very exhaustive review on HDV infection updated to 2014 focusing on some of the most important aspects including epidemiology, clinical course, natural history of the disease, and, although disappointing, therapeutics opportunities. Although the prevalence of HDV has significantly declined thanks to the massive vaccination against HBV, this infection is far from being disappeared still accounting for about 15-20 million cases of chronic carriers in the world. Thus, this review is welcome and fruitful for young hepatologists not used to approaching such a patients. The paper is well structured and pleasantly readable. In particular figures are clear and help understanding the temporal serologic aspects of HDV infection (coinfection, superinfection). The language and style are quite good and do not deserve relevant changes.

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<input type="checkbox"/> [ Y] Grade C: Good	<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Duplicate publication	<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Rejection
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