

## ESPS PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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| CLASSIFICATION   | LANGUAGE EVALUATION   | SCIENTIFIC MISCONDUCT                          | CONCLUSION  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent            | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing                 | Google Search:                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Accept                                   |
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| <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No         | <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision                           |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejected                            | BPG Search:                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision                           |
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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This manuscript is a well-written review about cardiomyopathy in Becker muscular dystrophy.

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

The numbers of the references are disorderly. Also, I recommend to include the original study described as number 8 of reference.

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| CLASSIFICATION                                    | LANGUAGE EVALUATION   | SCIENTIFIC MISCONDUCT                          | CONCLUSION  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent       | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing                 | Google Search:                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Accept                                   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Poor            |   | [ Y] No  | <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision                           |
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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a comprehensive overview of BMD pathophysiology and management.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Poor                 |   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor revision     |
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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The present report reviewed pathophysiology, imaging, and therapies with respect to cardiomyopathy in Becker type muscular dystrophy. The report is well written, and I suggest some issues to be comprehensive for readers. 1. Authors should add a table to summarize imaging modalities for diagnosis of Becker cardiomyopathy. 2. Section "Cardiomyopathy in BMD: Myocardial damage preferentially in the inferolateral wall is presumed to be due to exaggerated mechanical stress and not due to limited distribution of dystrophin in this region." Authors need to describe some evidence or add references for this comment. 3. Section "Pharmacotherapy : Aldosterone blockade can be added for patients with NYHA Class III or IV who are already on optimal doses of an ACEI and  $\beta$  blocker<sup>15</sup>." This sentence should be moved prior to the comments for eplerenone.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good       | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing           | <input type="checkbox"/> The same title        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High priority for publication |
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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an interesting paper for the clinical practice. Rady Ho, M.D. et al. report the pathophysiology, clinical evaluations and management of cardiomyopathy in patients with BMD. Overall the paper appears to be carefully examined and data adequately discussed. I suggest that this paper have the priority to be published in WJC.

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|  |  | [ Y] No  |  |

## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This manuscript of topic highlights on Becker muscular dystrophy describing all aspects of cardiomyopathy is well written and has high level of organization.

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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This review article on cardiomyopathy in Becker muscular dystrophy is well written and of interest for the clinical cardiologist. There are few comments for improvement. 1.It would be nice to have a figure to explain the pathophysiology of the cardiomyopathy in this disease and another figure to show a typical ECG and/or some imaging (echo or CMR) 2.It would be nice if the authors discuss better (now it is only mentioned in the paragraph "device therapy") the risk of life-threatening arrhythmias in these patients, related to the presence of myocardial fibrosis. Are there specific data on sudden cardiac death in this patient population? 3.There are only experimental results of gene therapy. Therefore, this paragraph should be moved at the end of the paper and entitled: "Future therapeutic perspectives". 4.The manuscript and several references are not in the required editorial style.