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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (Faggiuoli revised.doc).

Title: Management of hepatitis C infection before and after liver transplantation

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The manuscript has been improved and revised according to the suggestions of reviewers :

- 1 The aim of the review has been more clearly defined in the Introduction.
- 2 The Methodology (inclusion/exclusion criteria for literature search, as well as some metrics of the literature search) has been clarified.
- 3 The structure of the review has been clearly defined in the Methodology.
- 4 Additional comment has been included regarding the potential benefit of upcoming/novel therapies.
5. The references have been reformatted as per the journal's style.

Please see the below "Reviewer comments_with responses" for a detailed list of comments and actions.

Thank you for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,

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Reviewer 1

**Comments To
Authors**

Very compresive paper with many useful information, mostly updated.

Thank you

Reviewer 2

Faggioli et al sublimit an interesting review assessing the management of hepatitis C infection before and after liver transplantation.

Thank you.

Concerns: In the introduction, the authors should clarify better the main of the article.

The Introduction has been updated (pag.5).

In method the authors should cite the number of all papers revised for this manuscript and the criteria for the inclusion in the reference.

**Comments To
Authors**

The Methodology has been expanded to provide additional information but the authors would like to stress that this was not a systematic review (pag 6).

Also, they should present her the topics that they divided the review. *Additional text has been added to the Methodology to introduce the sub-sections of the review (pag 6)..*

A topic comparing the previous and the novel treatment for hepatitis C infection in the set of liver transplantation should be elegant.

The intended meaning of this peer reviewer's comment was not clear – the authors interpreted it as a request to provide some comment/opinion on the benefits novel therapy may provide (over current therapies). As such, new text was added to the section on novel therapies (pag. 15).

Reviewer 3

**Comments To
Authors**

A comprehensive review on the outcome of pre and post transplant HCV therapies, an important clinical topic, the Table is very helpful and adds to the value of the paper

Thank you.

Minor comment; 1. references should be adjusted to the journal's style

The reference list has been updated and those papers without PMID/DOI numbers have been provided.

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