

RESPONSE TO REVIEWERS

Reviewer #1:

Scientific Quality: Grade C (Good)

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

Conclusion: Major revision

Specific Comments to Authors:

This title reflects the main theme and summary of the manuscript and reflects the work described in the manuscript. The key words reflect the focus of the manuscript. The background, current situation and significance of the study are fully described in this paper. The manuscript describes the methods in full detail. The findings are fully and appropriately explained, highlighted concisely, clearly and logically, the findings and their applicability to the literature are stated in a clear and unambiguous manner, and the implications discussed are fully relevant to clinical practice. The manuscript met the requirements of SI unit use. The manuscript met ethical requirements. This article is of high quality, systematically elaborates the antiviral effect of HCV after DAAS predicted by SWE, and looks forward to its future development. A limitation of this study is the paucity of clinical data and the lack of support for the conclusions.

RESPONSE: Thanks for your review, we really appreciate your comments. We applied minor language revisions and slightly modified the conclusions in order to better clarify that our results need to be confirmed by larger cohorts. We hope that this meta-analysis could serve as a starting point for design of future studies.