Hepatitis E in Immunocompromised Individuals

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Dear Professor Jin-Lei Wang,

Thank you for reviewing our article titled, "Hepatitis E in Immunocompromised Individuals". We were thrilled to learn that it has been conditionally accepted for publication and appreciate the helpful comments and suggestions provided by the reviewers and your editorial team. We have carefully reviewed all the comments and suggestions and revised our manuscript accordingly. Below you will find detailed replies to each reviewer's comments and the appropriate reference to the changes made within the manuscript. All authors have contributed to and agree on the content of this manuscript. The manuscript has not been published previously and is not currently under consideration elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Konstantinos Damiris, Mohamad Aghaie Meybodi, Mumtaz Niazi, and Nikolaos Pyrsopoulos

Editor's comment and suggestions: Reviewer #1

The manuscript is well written and summarizes the current knowledge on HEV infection. The problem of chronic HEV infections is significant, but still underestimated and often underdiagnosed. Therefore, the reviewed article has a significant educational and practical value. I would suggest only minor corrections: In Introduction, the phrase "in developing countries" is repeated in two consecutive sentences. I would suggest changing these phrases to avoid repetition. In the Treatment section, the authors made a mistake in the name of the drug (ribavarin instead of ribavirin) in one of the sentences. These minor errors do not detract from the value of the article. My recommendation is to accept the article after making these minor corrections

Authors' response: Thank you for your precise comments. We changed "in developing countries" phrase to avoid repetition. Also, we corrected the spelling of the medication name to ribavirin.

Reviewer #2

This is a well written review that gives a complete and interesting picture of hepatitis E. I enjoyed reading it

Authors' Response: Thank you for your kind comment. We are pleased to learn that our manuscript is accepted by the reviewer.

Science editor's comment: Authors provided a comprehensive and informative review about HEV infection in immunocompromised patients. This review was well-addressed and well-written. It is acceptable for publication in WJH.

Authors' Response: Thank you for your time to review our manuscript.

Editor-in-chief comment: I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report, full text of the manuscript, and the relevant ethics documents, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Hepatology, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted. I have sent the manuscript to the author(s) for its revision according to the Peer-Review Report, Editorial Office's comments and the Criteria for Manuscript Revision by Authors. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or

text portions can be reprocessed by the editor. Authors are required to provide standard three-line tables, that is, only the top line, bottom line, and column line are displayed, while other table lines are hidden. The contents of each cell in the table should conform to the editing specifications, and the lines of each row or column of the table should be aligned. Do not use carriage returns or spaces to replace lines or vertical lines and do not segment cell content.

Authors' Response: Thank you for taking the time and effort to review our manuscript in its entirety. We will provide our figure in the PowerPoint format. Tables formats are changed to standard three-line format. We are glad to hear that the manuscript is conditionally accepted and have made all revisions which we believe to be appropriate.