

Dear Reviewrs

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1. Inclusion of a table on the various tests and their implications or stages whereby different treatment options may be availed.

Two tables were added. Tables 1 summarizes the current diagnostic tools to assess the liver disease stages and severity. Tables 2 summarizes the recommended DAAs regimen for treatment of HCV infection according to AASL/ADSA 2021. They were submitted and mentioned in the manuscript at page 5, line 152 and page 7, line 219.

2. A list of abbreviations needs to be added

We added them in page 22, line 713.

3. A more detailed legend for Figure 1 is needed.

The figure was revised and redesigned with more detailed legend.

4. Reference to Figure 1 need to be made wherever items included in the figure have been discussed.

Done and it was referred to the figure at line 360, 367, 448, 475, 511, 551, 598.

5. How does the virus enter the extrahepatic tissues? Information of what is known, use of receptors, if known should be included.

HCV entry to the tissue was presenting under the title Hepatitis C virus and cell entry”, line 75- 144. More details were added at lines: 588-594 for non-Hodgkin lymphoma

6. Grammatical and syntax errors need to be corrected.

The manuscript was edited by an excellent language expertise Dr. Samia M Sami. We were granted the approval of the National Research Center to edit the manuscript by the Egyptian Knowledge Bank, but we were informed that the editing will take at least 2 weeks and this will exceed the dead time for submitting the manuscript. We hope that our situation is appreciated as we will submit the manuscript on the due date and after the journal reviewing, we will submit the final corrected version and the editing certificate.

7. No clear introduction and objectives

Introduction was added from line 60 to 71 and objective was added at lines 71-73 in pages 2 and 3 from line 59 to 73.