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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 7936-review.doc).

**Title:** ABO incompatible renal transplants: good or bad?

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

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

**Reviewer (00503228)**

1. *The review organization is well, but yet we need to know yours review protocol. How you reviewed the literature? The subject is of a broad spectrum. On what aspects you focused most? What databases you searched?*

> Pubmed and Cochrane were available to our review. We focused on the all aspects of ABO incompatible renal transplantation.

2. *In several of your subcategories, you can use tables to abbreviate data, and let your articles' authors to have a broad view with less time spend.*

> We made a new table about a historical section. It also contains important clinical trials which were pointed out.

3. *Since the first author has an affiliation of Japan, and Japan is a forrunning country in the experience of ABO incompatible renal transplantation, I recommend to have a subsection for the experience from Japan.*

> Thank you very much for your suggestion. However, we believe that all relevant Japanese literature is included in the manuscript as it is written and adds to flow of the manuscript. Separating Japanese literature will make the manuscript disjointed and segmented and may impact the quality of final message.

4. *Several Important clinical trials have not been cited. I just note some at the end of my comments. (You may say the number of trials are overwhelmingly high, that's why you should have restricted your review protocol more.*

5. *Limitations of the review have not been noticed; some of the important trials not reviewed:*

> Several important clinical trials and protocols which this reviewer requested were added on a new table and a protocol table (except No 8 article).

> No 8 article (Garonzik Wang et al) is not clinical trial. Therefore, it is not added on revised manuscript.

**Reviewer (00503322)**


*The authors have written an exhaustive review on ABO-incompatible renal transplantation encompassing all aspects on the subject, hence should be considered for publication in the WJT. However, the manuscript is too long containing over 8000 words, which can make it unattractive to the readers, thereby defeating purpose of the review. I would suggest the authors to consider shortening the manuscript by about a third or so, thus making readable for persons interested in transplantation.*

>Over 8000 words contained 99 references, and main text was 5500 words. However, revised manuscript has been reduced. The main text is 4500 words.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

Sincerely yours,



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