

Reviewer comments:

Scientific Quality: Grade D (Fair)

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

Comment #1 - The introduction is only 2 sentences long. The authors did not introduce the subject nor the facts on why this review/manuscript is important, they did not mention other papers dealing with this topic in the past nor explain what is the benefit of their manuscript over the others. The authors did not explain why they categorize the viruses into 3 groups.

Done

Comment #2 - In addition, the authors briefly summarized the basic characteristics of viruses without any systematic order.

Done

Comment #3 - The authors included also a Figure, which is not basically a table and has no additional value. I strongly suggest creating a table where for each virus (one line) there is information in the columns for the following data: route of infection, incubation period, age group, duration of the disease, major symptoms, diagnostics, treatment, and tips..

Done

Comment #4 - As the revision process results in changes to the content of the manuscript, language problems may exist in the revised manuscript. Thus, it is necessary to perform further language polishing that will ensure all grammatical, syntactical, formatting and other related errors be resolved, so that the revised manuscript will meet the publication requirement (Grade A).

Done

Authors are requested to send their revised manuscript to a professional English language editing company or a native English-speaking expert to polish the manuscript further. When the authors submit the subsequent polished manuscript to us, they must provide a new language certificate along with the manuscript.

Editing of manuscript done by a native english speaking expert

Comment #5 - Abbreviations -

In general, do not use non-standard abbreviations, unless they appear at least two times in the text preceding the first usage/definition. Certain commonly used abbreviations, such as DNA, RNA, HIV, LD50, PCR, HBV, ECG, WBC, RBC, CT, ESR, CSF, IgG, ELISA, PBS, ATP, EDTA, and mAb, do not need to be defined and can be used directly.

Done

The basic rules on abbreviations are provided here:

(1) Title: Abbreviations are not permitted. Please spell out any abbreviation in the title.

(2) Running title: Abbreviations are permitted. Also, please shorten the running title to no more than 6 words.

(3) Abstract: Abbreviations must be defined upon first appearance in the Abstract. Example 1: Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC). Example 2: Helicobacter pylori (H. pylori).

(4) Key Words: Abbreviations must be defined upon first appearance in the Key Words.

(5) Core Tip: Abbreviations must be defined upon first appearance in the Core Tip. Example 1: Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC). Example 2: Helicobacter pylori (H. pylori)

(6) Main Text: Abbreviations must be defined upon first appearance in the Main Text. Example 1: Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC). Example 2: Helicobacter pylori (H. pylori)

(7) Article Highlights: Abbreviations must be defined upon first appearance in the Article Highlights. Example 1: Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC).

Example 2: Helicobacter pylori (H. pylori)

(8) Figures: Abbreviations are not allowed in the Figure title. For the Figure Legend text, abbreviations are allowed but must be defined upon first appearance in the text. Example 1: A: Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) biopsy sample; B: HCC-adjacent tissue sample. For any abbreviation that appears in the Figure itself but is not included in the Figure Legend textual description, it will be defined (separated by semicolons) at the end of the figure legend. Example 2: BMI: Body mass index; US: Ultrasound.

(9) Tables: Abbreviations are not allowed in the Table title. For the Table itself, please verify all abbreviations used in tables are defined (separated by semicolons) directly underneath the table. Example 1: BMI: Body mass index; US: Ultrasound.

Round 2

Reviewer 1:

1. "The authors followed most of the suggested comments and improved the manuscript. However, there are still some open questions that need to be properly addressed and corrected in the manuscript: - the description of viral pathogens does not follow in a systematic way in all cases; for instance in all cases the reader would expect similar structure providing the following basic information: characteristics, incidence, transmission, target group, symptoms, diagnosis, treatment, complications – please check the manuscript carefully and include the missing information for each viral disease

Added characteristics, incidence, transmission, target group, symptoms, diagnosis, treatment, and complications for each virus.

2. abbreviations like CMV, HSV, EBV, HHV-8 etc can not be used in the subtitles – needs corrections

Changed it.

3. the conclusion part needs improvement, for instance, the article deals with viruses of the gastrointestinal tract (not only viruses) and it is very important that it summarizes the message of the manuscript from which the importance of the manuscript can be seen

Thank You for the comment. We have changed it.

4. there is no table included in the manuscript – was there an error in the system or the authors did not included the table?"

Included the table in the manuscript and as a separate file.

Reviewer 2:

1. The manuscript summarizes basic information about viral pathogens in the gastrointestinal tract dividing them into 3 groups based on clinical symptoms (bloody and non-bloody diarrhea with predominant viral gastroenteritis and diarrhea and varied intestinal manifestations). The aim and abstract are very well written, while the other parts of the manuscript need significant improvement. The introduction is only 2 sentences long.

Changed the introduction.

2. The authors did not introduce the subject nor the facts on why this review/manuscript is important, they did not mention other papers dealing with this topic in the past nor explain what is the benefit of their manuscript over the others.

Added in introduction.

3. The authors did not explain why they categorize the viruses into 3 groups.

We thank the authors for the comments. We have explained it in the introduction now.

4. In addition, the authors briefly summarized the basic characteristics of viruses without any systematic order.

In the revised version the authors followed a systematic order of

characteristics, incidence, transmission, target group, symptoms, diagnosis, treatment, complications for each virus

5. The authors also included a Figure, which is not basically a table and has no additional value. I see the potential of that manuscript but only if it is significantly improved, not only the introduction but also the description of viral pathogens in a systematic way so that for all viruses the reader can have all the necessary information. I strongly suggest creating a table where for each virus (one line) there is information in the columns for the following data: route of infection, incubation period, age group, duration of the disease, major symptoms, diagnostics, treatment, and tips.

We have changed the figure and included the suggested information.

We have included the incubation period, disease duration, symptoms, detailed diagnosis, and tips in the manuscript.