PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
The title fully reflects the content of the manuscript. Abstract and keywords summarize the content of the manuscript. The introduction describes well the background, current state and significance of the study. A large number of published studies have been analyzed. This allows an objective assessment of the problem that the authors of the manuscript were working on. This study is very interesting for doctors who decide on a treatment for patients with chronic hepatitis C. In addition, an analysis was made of the reasons that do not allow the eradication of hepatitis C by 2030 - the concept of the World Health Organization (WHO). And, very importantly, the authors propose ways to solve this health care problem. The authors are very logical and clear in their discussion of the study results. This is of particular interest and is of great scientific importance for clinical practice. The manuscript meets the requirements of biostatistics. Citation is consistent with the text. The manuscript is written in good and understandable language. The manuscript is written in a good and understandable language and meets the design requirements. I especially want to emphasize the absence of bias on the increasing importance of the study. A very interesting manuscript! I read with great pleasure.
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interesting article, many data but unrelated to the proposed title. moreover, I did not find the references
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The review is clear and well written and describes the HCV-landscape. This work provides some findings of interest for the field, and I suggest it for publication.