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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Dear Authors, the manuscript is well written and provide an interesting review about a hot topic in the context of COVID-19 pandemic. As a suggestion, I propose to make a note about this issue in people with rare diseases where off label drugs for COVID-19 might even lead to severe complications, such as those with neuromuscular diseases (Liguori S, Moretti A, Paoletta M, Gimigliano F, Iolascon G. Rehabilitation of Neuromuscular Diseases During COVID-19: Pitfalls and Opportunities. Front Neurol. 2021 Feb 19;12:626319. doi: 10.3389/fneur.2021.626319.)
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This study reviewed the ethics of off-label chloroquine and hydroxychloroquine research during the COVID-19 epidemic, and achieving full ethics supervision of research conducted during an emergency. The study is very well interesting and very well written. After a minor editing, this study can be accepted.