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Comments from reviewer No. 03387210:

The manuscript entitled “Factors Associated with Success of Telaprevir- and Boceprevir-based Triple Therapy for Hepatitis C Virus Infection” by Bichoupan et al. identified some factors, including race, HCV genotype, and platelet counts, associated with the outcome of HCV triple therapy (telaprevir or boceprevir in combined with PEG-IFN and ribavirin) based on the clinical data and analyzed by some statistical methods. This study will give some useful information to clinicians and provided a successful ways to evaluate the new medications. The manuscript read and organized well, and the data treated were also reasonable. The reviewer suggested some minor problems to be revised.

1. For better understanding this study, it is better to put the supporting Fig. 1 and Fig. 2 back in appropriate place.
2. Lots of words connected together in the manuscript should be revised.

Response:

We appreciate the reviewer’s commemnts and made revisions according to the suggestions. Thank you!