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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Authors Review of manuscript for WJG "Gut epithelial barrier dysfunction in HIV-HCV coinfecting patients: Influence on innate and acquired immunity" by Mercedes Márquez et al (ESPS Manuscript NO:19604). This manuscript stated that immune activation has been related with bacterial translocation secondary to gut barrier damage by the HIV or the hepatitis C virus (HCV)-related liver cirrhosis. In the present review, the intestinal barrier structure, measures of intestinal barrier dysfunction and the modifications of it in HIV monoinfection and in HIV-HCV coinfection were considered. Besides, this manuscript assessed pathogenesis and the consequences for the progression of liver disease secondary to gut microbial fragment leakage and immune activation. The review is interesting, and is well written. The authors give a sufficient overview about the study background. The aim of the study is fulfilled, and the manuscript has been discussed well. However, the following points need to be considered: 1. "In the present review, the intestinal barrier structure, measures of intestinal barrier dysfunction and the modifications of it in HIV monoinfection and in HIV-HCV coinfection will be considered." In this sentence, what does "it" refer to???Should "it" be instead of



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'them"???2、 Try writing with hard word limits and clear topic. The description of barrier structure and measures of intestinal barrier dysfunction which are common sense, need not introduced detailedly.??3、 Further state your two innovation points of this article!