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Title: Changes of Treg and Th17 balance in the development of acute and chronic HBV infection

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Dear Sir:

This is a manuscript by Liang Xuesong, Li ChenZhong, Zhou Ying, Wan MoBin entitled “Changes of Treg and Th17 balance in the development of acute and chronic HBV infection”. It is submitted to be considered for publication as a “FULL article” in your journal. This paper is new. Neither the entire paper nor any part of its content has been published or has been accepted elsewhere. It is not being submitted to any other journal.

We believe the paper may be of particular interest to the readers of your journal as it described the change pattern of Treg/Th17 cell balance in different HBV infection stages. It provided new evidence on the mechanism of HBV persistence.

I have read and have abided by the statement of ethical standards for manuscripts submitted. None of the authors has any potential financial conflict of interest related to this manuscript.

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Thanks very much for your attention to our paper.

Sincerely yours,

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