Reviewer's report

Title: Autoimmune hepatitis in India: is it uncommon or underdiagnosed

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In this paper the authors analyse the prevalence of autoimmune liver diseases in India; the paper could be of interest, but some issues arise:

1. I'm not sure about the diagnosis of PBC in three patients; which stage of disease is suggested by the histological assessment in these three patients? Are they cholestatic? The authors should clarify this aspect.
2. Which criteria did the authors use to differentiate the chronic from the acute onset in AIH patients?

Accept with minor revision

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions