Reviewer’s report

Title: Molecular Epidemiology of Hepatitis B Virus Genotypes in Pakistan

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General

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)
1. The definition for case selection was not given.
2. Are the chronic hepatitis or inactive carries?
3. Is the study population represent the population of the country?
4. The demographic features of the cases should be given.
5. Are all the cases from Pakistan?
6. Which population was screened for hepatitis B?

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Unable to decide on acceptance or rejection until the authors have responded to the major compulsory revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests