Reviewer’s report

Title: Hereditary Hemochromatosis (HFE) genotypes in heart failure: Relation to etiology and prognosis

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Møller et al. examined the frequency of the HFE genotypes in the patients with heart failure (HF). As a result of this study, HFE genotypes were not associated with systolic HF. Secondly, they concluded that HFE genotypes did not affect patient’s prognosis. Hereditary hemochromatosis is a common inherited disorder, especially in Northern Europe. Iron overload often leads to severe cardiomyopathy. However, not all patients with HFE mutations progress to significant iron overload. In this manuscript, there were no significant difference in the HFE genotype distribution between HF group and general population.

The authors revised the manuscript appropriately. This manuscript provides interesting and important insights. The manuscript is acceptable for publication.

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.