Reviewer’s report

Title: Lichen planus and Hepatitis C: a case control study

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Reviewer: Emel Erkek

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General

I have re-evaluated the revised version of the article. The authors have replied the major queries and corrected many of the written and grammar mistakes, although the manuscript needs further revision regarding language.

Considering the lack of previous studies regarding HCV infection prevalence in Iranian patients with lichen planus and the large study population in the present study, I believe that the manuscript may be valuable to the readers. Furthermore, the study provides rationale for routine testing of anti-HCV antibodies, rather than liver function tests, in evaluating patients with lichen planus.

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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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)

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What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:

None