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Dear Ms. Vidal:

I, along with my coauthors, would like to ask you to consider the attached manuscript entitled “Off-label use of eltrombopag in a case of chronic hepatitis C virus-induced thrombocytopenia: a case report” for publication in Journal of Medical Case Reports as a case report.

Eltrombopag is a new thrombopoietin receptor agonist that was used successfully off-label in a critical case of thrombocytopenia associated with hepatitis C infection in a 56-year-old Kuwaiti female. However, the clinical use of eltrombopag was subsequently approved for immune thrombocytopenic purpura or thrombocytopenia associated with hepatitis C virus infection. Eltrombopag became an approved treatment for thrombocytopenia due to hepatitis C infection so OLDU under highly specialized team and under base evidence use is a useful life saving tool in medical practice. The medical literature need more of successful case reports of proper use of OLDU the term which is not known very well by many doctors.

We believe that the findings of this study are relevant to the scope of your journal and will be of interest to its readership.

This manuscript has not been published or presented elsewhere in part or in entirety, and is not under consideration by another journal. All study participants provided informed consent, and the study design was approved by the appropriate ethics review boards. All the authors have approved the manuscript and agree with submission to your esteemed journal. There are no conflicts of interest to declare.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

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