Author’s response to reviews

Title: Polymorphisms in the Th17 cell-related RORC gene are associated with spontaneous clearance of HCV in Chinese women

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Dear editor,

Thank you for your consideration of our manuscript entitled “Polymorphisms in the Th17 cell-related RORC gene are associated with spontaneous clearance of HCV in Chinese women” for possible publication in “BMC infectious diseases”. We are grateful for the comments from reviewers and editor. Point-by-point responses were attached below. Hopefully this revised version is acceptable for publication.

Best regards,

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Response to Editor Comments:

1) We note that the current submission contains some textual overlap with other previously published works, in particular: https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4315306/ (overlap occurs with lines 187-193). Please re-phrase these sections to minimise overlap.

Answer: Thank you for the suggestion. We have rephrase the text in the revised version.

2) At this stage, please upload your manuscript as a single, final, clean version that does not contain any tracked changes, comments, highlights, strikethroughs or text in different colours. All relevant tables/figures/additional files should also be clean versions. Figures (and additional files) should remain uploaded as separate files. Please ensure that all tables, figures and supplementary files are cited in the main text.

Answer: We have upload all the files as requirement, and all tables, figures and supplementary files are cited in the main text.

Response to Reviewer #2:

English style of the newly written text needs to be revised, but this can be discretionary to authors during copyediting of the manuscript.

Answer: Thanks for your suggestion. The written English of the manuscript was improved by Bioedit company, a professional English language editing service and the editors were Pamela Thompson and Sarah Francis. Additionally, we have invited someone who is fluent in English to review our text again. We wish this version have improved enough to meet your requirement.