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Title: Efficacy and tolerability of sofosbuvir and daclatasvir for treatment of hepatitis C genotype 1 & 3 in patients undergoing hemodialysis- A prospective interventional clinical trial

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This article by Shafig Ur Rehman Cheema et al, assessed that the efficacy and safety of SOF/DCV regimen in patients on hemodialysis and they recommended full dose of SOF for patients regardless of ESRD state.

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