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Clinical Impact of COVID-19 on Liver Diseases

Message from the Guest Editor

Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) and its associated disease, COVID-19, became a public health matter of pandemic status. Additionally, the negative effects COVID-19 often involved liver, not only in pre-existing CLD, but also in healthy subjects. Furthermore, it has been well demonstrated that the onset of various autoimmune diseases (including autoimmune liver diseases) could be associated to SARS-CoV-2, probably due to molecular mimicry and hyperstimulation of the immune system. While knowledge on COVID-19 evolution is increasing, treatment guidelines are difficult to standardize when taking into account special populations like patients with CLD or liver transplant recipients. Understanding the history of COVID-19 in these patients as well as the immunogenicity and effectiveness of SARS-CoV-2 vaccination across the full spectrum of liver disease severity is, therefore, paramount. The aim of this Special Issue is to provide an overview of recent advances in the field of COVID-19 and CLD. Therefore, researchers in the field of Hepatology are encouraged to submit an original article or review.

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