

Editor's Comment:

I have evaluated the manuscript

Chikungunya virus: Outbreaks in SEARO, Transmission, Pathogenesis, Clinical syndrome, Diagnosis and prevention review

and I have detected a series of mistakes that I strongly do not recommend its publication in its present form.

1) What worries me the most is the authors use many images that have already been published in other articles in journals such as PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases, The Lancet Infectious Diseases and Antiviral Research. The authors do not state they have permission to use them, which would be a severe copyright violation if permission was not granted.

2) There are many spelling mistakes and gramatical errors, I have detected and pointed out many of them, but not all, which should be done by the authors.

3) Scientific nomenclature is not correctly written, even the word Chikungunya has been misspelled.

4) Figures have no caption

5) According to the title , the review is focused in the South East Asia Region. which, is in the title. The abbreviation used, SEARO (and abbreviations are not permitted in a title) refers to the South East Asia Regional Office (of the World Health Organization) and I suppose the authors wanted to refer to the SEAR. Yet, most of the review, except Table I, is not focused on the SEAR.

I attach the manuscript with my observations and do not recommend its publication in its present form.

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