

## Erratum to: Occult hepatitis B in blood donors in Indonesia: altered antigenicity of the hepatitis B virus surface protein

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In the above-mentioned article,

1. There are some missing sentences in the section “Background” of the paper. The last two sentences should read as below:  
The prevalence of OBI is not well documented in Indonesia although such information is urgently needed. To explore the extent of this problem, this initial study was performed with aims to evaluate the prevalence of occult hepatitis B in blood donors from two cities in Indonesia, to analyze the genetic characteristics of HBV, and to study the effect of the genetic alteration of HBV DNA on the predicted antigenicity of HBsAg.
2. Table 1: In the column “References”, the numbers of the references were incorrectly stated. The correct Table 1 should have appeared as shown below.

**Table 1** HBV DNA-specific primers used in nested PCR, clone analysis, and sequencing

| Primer | Nucleotide sequence (5' → 3') | Nucleotide position <sup>a</sup> | Polarity  | References |
|--------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| S2-1   | CAAGGTATGTTGCCCGTTG           | 455–474                          | Sense     | [11]       |
| S088   | TGTTGCCCGTTTGCTCTCTA          | 462–471                          | Sense     | [12]       |
| S1-2   | GCCATTTGTTTCAGTGGTTCG         | 685–704                          | Antisense | [11]       |
| S2-2   | TGGCTCAGTTTACTAGTGCC          | 668–687                          | Antisense | [11]       |
| PS8-1  | GTCACCATATTCTTGGGAAC          | 2817–2836                        | Sense     | [13]       |
| HS6-2  | GCCAAGTGTTTGCTGACGCA          | 1175–1194                        | Antisense | [13]       |
| HS4-2  | CCTATTGATTGGAAGGTGTG          | 970–989                          | Antisense | [13]       |
| T728   | GGAATCAAACCTTATTATCC          | 2688–2707                        | Sense     | [13]       |
| T703   | CAGAGTCTAGACTCGTGGTG          | 242–261                          | Antisense | [13]       |
| PS5-2  | CTCGTGTACAGCGGGGTT            | 191–210                          | Antisense | [13]       |
| M13F   | GCCAGGGTTTTCCAGTCACGAC        | 2949–2972                        | Sense     |            |
| M13R   | GTCATAGCTGTTTCTGTGTGA         | 176–197                          | Antisense |            |

<sup>a</sup> Based on *EcoRI* site numbering

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