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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This is an interesting paper looking at the current role of FDG-PET in the management of HCC. The authors provide a complete and concise review of the current role of FDG-PET as a potential marker for the biological behavior of HCC. It is acknowledged



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that severe limitations remain as by itself FDG-PET is not a reliable enough tool. In addition, even in cases where it does provide information, the same information could be provided by other, perhaps less expensive, methods. As a result although its role remains limited, the potential advances allow for future hope.

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