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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 5519-review.doc).

Title: Incidence and Mortality of Primary Liver Cancer in England and Wales: Changing Patterns and Ethnic Variations

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1. Format has been updated
2. Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer
 - (1) PLC and IHBD has been spelt out in the abstract.
 - (2) Estimation of survival projected to 2018 was achieved using the complement of mortality to incidence ratio. The method, results and discussion appears in the relevant sections.
 - (3) We discussed the role of oral contraceptive pills and the results we obtained as well as HBV vaccination in the control of HCC (under "discussion").
 - (4) In order to reduce mortality, we discussed current efforts at early detection, such as urinary metabonomics in the search for better performing biomarkers.

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3. References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,

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