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1 Title. Does the title reflect the main subject/hypothesis of the manuscript? Yes. 2 Abstract. Does the abstract summarize and reflect the work described in the manuscript? Yes. 3 Key words. Do the key words reflect the focus of the manuscript? Yes. 4 Background. Does the manuscript adequately describe the background, present status and significance of the study? Yes. 5 Methods. Does the manuscript describe methods (e.g., experiments, data analysis, surveys, and clinical trials, etc.) in adequate detail? Yes. The ms collected a lot of literature about the progression of Extrahepatic metastasis (EHM) of hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC). 6 Results. Are the research objectives achieved by the experiments used in this study? What are the contributions that the study has made for research progress in this field? Yes. It gives a outline of the therapy of extrahepatic metastasis (EHM) of hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) and it also give some suggestion about the therapy of EHM of HCC. 7 Discussion. Does the manuscript interpret the findings adequately and appropriately, highlighting the key points concisely, clearly and logically? Are the findings and their applicability/relevance to the literature stated in a clear and definite manner? Is the discussion accurate and does it discuss the paper's scientific significance and/or relevance to clinical practice sufficiently? Yes. 8 Illustrations and tables. Are the figures, diagrams and tables sufficient, good quality and appropriately illustrative of the paper contents? Do figures require labeling with arrows, asterisks etc., better legends? The tables is sufficient to the illustrative of the paper contents. 9 Biostatistics. Does the manuscript meet the requirements of biostatistics? No. 10 Units. Does the manuscript meet the requirements of use of SI units? Yes. 11 References. Does the manuscript cite appropriately the latest, important and authoritative references in the introduction and discussion sections? Does the author self-cite, omit, incorrectly cite and/or over-cite references? Yes, this ms cite appropriatedly. There is no self-cite and other incorrectly

cite. 12 Quality of manuscript organization and presentation. Is the manuscript well, concisely and coherently organized and presented? Is the style, language and grammar accurate and appropriate? Yes. 13 Research methods and reporting. Authors should have prepared their manuscripts according to manuscript type and the appropriate categories, as follows: (1) CARE Checklist (2013) - Case report; (2) CONSORT 2010 Statement - Clinical Trials study, Prospective study, Randomized Controlled trial, Randomized Clinical trial; (3) PRISMA 2009 Checklist - Evidence-Based Medicine, Systematic review, Meta-Analysis; (4) STROBE Statement - Case Control study, Observational study, Retrospective Cohort study; and (5) The ARRIVE Guidelines - Basic study. Did the author prepare the manuscript according to the appropriate research methods and reporting? It is a review. 14 Ethics statements. For all manuscripts involving human studies and/or animal experiments, author(s) must submit the related formal ethics documents that were reviewed and approved by their local ethical review committee. Did the manuscript meet the requirements of ethics? It is a review. The ms focused on the therapy of extrahepatic metastasis (EHM) of hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) . The therapy model included systemic therapy, target therapy, immunotherapy, locoregional therapy and multidisciplinary therapy. Today, systemic therapy serves as the standard treatment modality. there are two approved agents (Sorafenib and Lenvatinib) as the first-line setting and several agents (Regorafenib, Cabozantinib, Ramucirumab, Nivolumab, and Pembrolizumab) as the second-line setting. Promising results from clinical trial of immunotherapy combining Atezolizumab and Bevacizumab may reshape the treatment landscape. Aggressive locoregional management of EHM, and multidisciplinary therapy combining systemic and locoregional management of EHM, have demonstrated the safety and efficacy in symptom relief and potential benefit in survival. In conclusion, the ms give an outline of the therapy of EHM of HCC. The scientificity, advancement and practicability is good.



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I think it reach the require of World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to study the progression in the therapy of EHM of HCC.