

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

Name of journal: *World Journal of Clinical Cases*

Manuscript NO: 69140

Title: Clinical significance of signet ring cells in surgical esophageal and esophagogastric junction adenocarcinoma: A systematic review and meta-analysis

Reviewer's code: 05475849

Position: Peer Reviewer

Academic degree: MD

Professional title: Docotor

Reviewer's Country/Territory: Ethiopia

Author's Country/Territory: China

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Scientific quality	[<input checked="" type="radio"/>] Grade A: Excellent [<input type="radio"/>] Grade B: Very good [<input type="radio"/>] Grade C: Good [<input type="radio"/>] Grade D: Fair [<input type="radio"/>] Grade E: Do not publish
Language quality	[<input checked="" type="radio"/>] Grade A: Priority publishing [<input type="radio"/>] Grade B: Minor language polishing [<input type="radio"/>] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [<input type="radio"/>] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[<input checked="" type="radio"/>] Accept (High priority) [<input type="radio"/>] Accept (General priority) [<input type="radio"/>] Minor revision [<input type="radio"/>] Major revision [<input type="radio"/>] Rejection
Re-review	[<input checked="" type="radio"/>] Yes [<input type="radio"/>] No
Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: [<input checked="" type="radio"/>] Anonymous [<input type="radio"/>] Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: [<input type="radio"/>] Yes [<input checked="" type="radio"/>] No



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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The paper is very important for the thematic area physicians.

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Title: Clinical significance of signet ring cells in surgical esophageal and esophagogastric junction adenocarcinoma: A systematic review and meta-analysis

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Scientific quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish
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Re-review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

All the specific comments are added to the attached manuscript file. Based on the revisions, I will provide further recommendations

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Title: Clinical significance of signet ring cells in surgical esophageal and esophagogastric junction adenocarcinoma: A systematic review and meta-analysis

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Position: Peer Reviewer

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Author's Country/Territory: China

Manuscript submission date: 2021-06-18

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Scientific quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish
Language quality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
Re-review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input type="checkbox"/> Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Thanks for inviting me to read this paper. The authors assessed the association between the presence of signet ring cell (SRC) and prognostic and clinicopathological features in patients with oesophageal and esophagogastric junction adenocarcinoma. All studies included were high-quality by the Newcastle-Ottawa scale. Also, they reported important findings, such as an association between SRC and patients with oesophageal adenocarcinoma, TNM stage III/IV, poor overall survival, and poor disease-specific survival. I have some comments:

1. Abstract:
 - a. Aim: The authors must provide an explicit statement of questions being addressed regarding participants, interventions, comparisons, outcomes, and study design (PICOS). Results: please, the I² must be included in this section.
2. Introduction
 - a. In this section, also, the authors must provide an explicit statement of questions being addressed with reference to PICOS.
 - b. The authors must describe the differences between their aim and the findings of other meta-analyses published. This would add value to their study.
3. Results:
 - a. Some findings have high heterogeneity, such as overall survival (I²=85.7) and TNM stage III/IV EEGJA patients(I²=73.1). these must be assessed by meta-regression.
4. Methods:
 - a. The authors must indicate if a review protocol exists. Also, they must state that the PRISMA guideline was performed.
 - b. The inclusion criteria must be described before Literature retrieval.
 - c. The type of studies included must be described.
 - d. The authors must be stated the process for selecting studies in a separated section.
 - e. The authors must clarify the method of data extraction from reports. They must describe who performed data extraction as described in the Quality assessment.
 - f. A brief description of the Newcastle-Ottawa scale is needed.
 - g. The authors must describe which outcomes were measured. Some variables were not described, such as overall survival, disease-free survival, disease-specific survival. Also, these must be described.
- 5.



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Discussion: a. The authors must describe the differences between their meta-analysis and another meta-analysis published. This would add value to their study.

RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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Scientific quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish
Language quality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
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Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input type="checkbox"/> Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I am satisfied with the edited manuscript and the response to the reviewer's comments. I have a minor comment: This statement needs a reference "This systematic review and meta-analysis were conducted according to the Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses guidelines"