

Respond to the Reviewer

Dear editor and Reviewers:

Thank you for your letter and the reviewers' comments concerning our manuscript entitled **"Comment on 'Outcomes of curative liver resection for hepatocellular carcinoma in patients with cirrhosis'"** (Manuscript ID: 69217). These comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper, as well as the important guiding significance to our researches. We have studied comments carefully and have made a correction which we hope meet with approval. We have major revised and resubmit the revised manuscript. The main corrections in the paper and the responses to the Reviewer's comments are as follows:

Responds to the editor and Reviewer's comments:

Editor comments

1. The authors did not provide the approved grant application form(s). Please upload the approved grant application form(s) or funding agency copy (ies) of any approval document(s).

Author response and action taken: We are very sorry for our negligence in not providing the approved grant application form. We have uploaded the approved grant application form to the website.

2. PMID number is missing in the Ref 1, please provide it.

Author response and action taken: We are very sorry for our negligence that we have not provided the PMID number in the Ref 1. We have provided it.

3. The author's last name from published research is usually cited and the full name is not used in main text, please revise them.

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32 **Author response and action taken:** We are very sorry for the incorrect writing of the author's
33 name. We have revised them.

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35 Thank you very much for your careful and meticulous work.

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37 **Reviewer #1**

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39 The comment is well-written and concise.

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41 Thank you very much for your careful and meticulous work.

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43 **Reviewer #2**

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45 The author investigated that preoperative evaluation of liver reserve function in hepatocellular
46 carcinoma (HCC) patients with cirrhosis is critical and essential for individualizing surgical
47 modalities for HCC patients. The comment is well-written and concise. However, there are
48 some defects need to be modified. The authors believed that ICG-R15 is an important factor to
49 evaluated liver function preoperatively. But from a few studies, some hold the opinion that
50 severity of liver cirrhosis should be highlighted in clinical practice. It is suggested that this
51 sentence be revised.

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53 **Author response and action taken:** It is really true as Reviewer indicated that the severity of
54 liver cirrhosis should be highlighted in clinical practice. The accuracy of ICG-R15 in predicting
55 liver function is still controversial and more studies are needed for clarification. We have re-
56 written this sentence according to the Reviewer's suggestion.

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58 Thank you very much for your careful and meticulous work.

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60 Other revises:

61 We have used the language editing services provided by American Journal Experts:
62 <http://www.aje.com> to completely address the language problems of the manuscript.

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64 We tried our best to improve the manuscript and made some changes in the manuscript. These
65 changes will not influence the content and framework of the paper.

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67 We appreciate Editors/Reviewers' warm work earnestly and hope that the correction will meet
68 with approval.

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70 Once again, thank you very much for your comments and suggestions.

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72 Yours sincerely,

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