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Name of the research: The common bile duct diameter in an asymptomatic population: an MRI study			
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Aspects involving human of the research: <p>The study required to collect the clinical data and MRI images of 862 asymptomatic subjects from January 2010 to March 2014, retrospectively. The data were analyzed anonymously. The methods and results of this study are for the purposes of research, there is no conflict of interest.</p>			
Ethics Committee comments: <p>Through consideration by the Ethics Committee, the experimental design and the program of the study will not cause harm and risk to the subjects. Due to the retrospective nature of this study and the actual medical condition of Nanchong, it's difficult to get informed consent from all patients involved in the study. The data were analyzed anonymously. So Ethics Committee of our Hospital waived the need for written informed consent from the all participants.</p>			
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Ethics Committee of Affiliated Hospital of North Sichuan Medical College			
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