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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

So far, it is really a great challenge to physicians to treat the unresectable liver metastases of CRC. In this study, the authors try to further investigate tumor response, and adverse events after chemoembolization of colorectal cancer liver metastases with polyethylene glycol embolics loaded with irinotecan, based on their previous study. Overall, this is a very strong prospective study with solid experimental design. The manuscript is well written and the results support the authors' conclusion. The results are novel and provide promising clue to physicians. Only minor flaw with this study is that it just includes 50 patients, the conclusions need more large cohort study to validate.



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This paper submitted by Fiorentini et al, investigated the anti-tumor actions of polyethylene glycol embolics in treating colorectal cancer with liver metastasis. The following were some comments on this manuscript: 1. Only 50 patients were enrolled. A large scale multicenter study was suggested. 2. The therapeutic efficacy of chemoembolization was not compared with conventional treatments. 3. Table 2 could be changed into a chart, which may help the readers understand better. 4. In Figure 2, the tumor could be circled with dots. 5. There were some language mistakes and this paper could benefit from professional editing.