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**Title:** Prognostic significance of the fibrinogen-to-albumin ratio in gallbladder cancer patients

**Reviewer 1**

**Reviewer's code:** 02857071

**Reviewer's country:** Japan

**Reviewer's comments to authors:**

This is an excellent study about the fibrinogen-to-albumin ratio in gallbladder cancer patients. 1 The title reflects the main subject/hypothesis of the manuscript. 2 Abstract, key words and the background are focus of the study. 3 The methods are described in detail. And it reflects the hypotheses of the study. 4 The results are well displayed and discussed. 5 The original findings of this manuscript is that the authors found that the preoperative FAR could be used to predict the prognosis of GBC patients, which was easily accessible, cost-effective and noninvasive. And the insights are unique. It's very useful to the clinicians. 6 The tables and figures should be edited. And some minor language polishing should be corrected.

**Answers to reviewer 1:**

First, thank you very much for taking the time to review our clinical retrospective study. Your review of our articles was very careful and serious, involving all aspects of the article. It is a great honor for us to be highly praised by you for the clinical guiding significance of our article. We have re-edited the tables and figures in our manuscript to better demonstrate and explain the results and conclusions of our research. For the manuscript language quality, we turned to professional English language editing companies (AMERICAN JOURNAL EXPERT, AJE company) to further refine and polish the language of the articles to meet the requirements and standards of magazine publishing.

Thank you for your hard work again!

**Reviewer 2**

**Reviewer's code:** 03027148

**Reviewer's country:** Japan

**Reviewer's comments to authors:**

The study is very interesting. In this study, the authors explored the effect of FAR on patients with GBC. The methods are described in adequate detail. The research objectives are achieved by the experiments used in this study. The

original findings of this study is that the authors found the preoperative FAR could be used to predict the prognosis of GBC patients, which was easily accessible, cost-effective and noninvasive. The results are excellent and very important in the field, especially the tables and figures are excellent. I only suggest the authors to check the references. Any new references be published recently? If so, please update it.

**Answers to reviewer 2:**

Thank you very much for your hard work and great comments to our manuscript. We are very happy to receive your accurate and targeted assessment of every section of our article, which enhances our confidence in conducting relevant research in the future. We have re-searched relevant references based on your suggestions and made necessary updates on available new references. At the same time, we also let professional language polish companies such as AJE (AMERICAN JOURNAL EXPERT) company to further polish the language of our article to achieve the publication requirements of the magazine. Thanks for your careful work again!

**Reviewer 3**

**Reviewer's code:** 02543500

**Reviewer's country:** Australia

**Reviewer's comments to authors:**

Very interesting study. I have no comments to the authors.

**Answers to reviewer 3:**

Thank you very much for you to take time to review this clinical retrospective research and give a kind comment to our manuscript! We feel very pleased to get your recognition and appreciation to our paper. We also seriously considered your comments and suggestions on the language level of our article and re-polished the language of the article to meet the publishing requirements under the help of the professional language polish company. Thank you very much again!

We have rewritten the AIM section of the Abstract and controlled the words number under 20 words. We also have rewritten the "Core tip" and controlled the words number under 100 words. The changes in the body of the article have been marked out in red, there are a total of two changes. In addition, we also deleted "and lymphocyte to monocyte ratio (LMR) (HR: 0.399, 95% CI: 0.265–0.602, P<0.001)" in the line 6 to line 7 of the section of "Univariate and multivariate analysis results", because it's not originally absent and redundant.