



**PEER-REVIEW REPORT**

**Name of journal:** World Journal of Hepatology

**Manuscript NO:** 45012

**Title:** YAP at the intersection of liver cell fate determination

**Reviewer's code:** 00053888

**Reviewer's country:** United Kingdom

**Science editor:** Jia-Ping Yan

**Date sent for review:** 2018-12-19

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing	(High priority)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept	<input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing	(General priority)	Peer-reviewer's expertise on the topic of the manuscript:
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advanced
		<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision	<input type="checkbox"/> General
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This is a well written short report that advances the molecular knowledge of liver regeneration and suggests possible mechanisms for HCC development.

**INITIAL REVIEW OF THE MANUSCRIPT**



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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This is very interesting paper about liver regeneration. I think YAP plays important part in liver regeneration. I think that Interactions between the TGFβ and Hippo-Yap signaling pathways stimulate hepatocytes to undergo an EMT-like response that is necessary for them to grow in a TGFβ-enriched microenvironment and regenerate



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injured livers. Please comment the relationship between TGF $\beta$  and YAP in liver regeneration.

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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The manuscript highlights the principal role of YAP in the regulation of liver cell fate with central implications in the control of liver regeneration and HCC. Based on the dual effect of YAP (either promoting regeneration or uncontrolled proliferation) it is proposed as a potential therapeutic target for chronically liver disease or HCC patients.



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The letter is comprehensively written and the message is clear and interesting for the community.

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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Bai et al wrote a letter to the editor entitled "YAP at the intersection of liver cell fate determination". Unfortunately, they did not follow the basic role of scientific journal and instruction. As long as ignoring the roles, it is little possibility for any reviewing process. However, the content of the text is interesting in the specific fields. I



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recommend you to resubmit it all. You have to present clearly what you want to insist and claim for the study. Furthermore, you have to follow the roles.

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