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<b>Language quality</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
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This meta analysis tries to answer the question of usefulness of NAC in resectable Colorectal liver metastasis, which remains controversial. This study concludes that NAC is useful in achieving better 5 year OS and DFS, without increasing the morbidity and mortality. The highly heterogeneous nature of the data from the studies included, renders the conclusion less authentic and emphasizes the need for further studies to provide a conclusive evidence.



## RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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