

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I recommend authors to develop in the discussion sections some more considerations about heterogeneity of HCC (cite Ceausu M, Socea B, Serban D, Smarandache CG, Predescu D, Bacalbaşa N, Slavu I, Tulin A, Alecu L, Ceauşu Z. Heterogeneity of antigenic constellation in human hepatocellular carcinoma. *Exp Ther Med*. 2021 Mar;21(3):270. doi: 10.3892/etm.2021.9701). In the introductory part, the authors should mention about the reorganization required in hospitals in time of Covid (cite Dimitriu MCT, Pantea-Stoian A, Smaranda AC, Nica AA, Carap AC, Constantin VD, Davitoiu AM, Cirstoveanu C, Bacalbasa N, Bratu OG, Jacota-Alexe F, Badiu CD, Smarandache CG, Socea B. Burnout syndrome in Romanian medical residents in time of the COVID-19 pandemic. *Med Hypotheses*. 2020 Nov;144:109972. doi: 10.1016/j.mehy.2020.109972) that affected all medical conditions, even emergencies (cite Serban D, Socea B, Badiu CD, Tudor C, Balasescu SA, Dumitrescu D, Trotea AM, Spataru RI, Vancea G, Dascalu AM, Tanasescu C. Acute surgical abdomen during the COVID-19 pandemic: Clinical and therapeutic challenges. *Exp Ther Med*. 2021 May;21(5):519. doi: 10.3892/etm.2021.9950).

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1.Add a summary of the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on organ transplantation especially liver transplantation in the introduction section. 2.Interestingly, LDLT has increased during the pandemic, and the specific reasons should be discussed more in the discussion section. 3.I hope that the authors will continue to follow up patients to explore the differences in prognosis for HCC liver transplant patients before and during COVID-19 pandemic.