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Scientific quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish
Language quality	<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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Peer-Review: ☒ Anonymous ☐ Onymous

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors prepared a meta analysis of studies on mortality from sepsis in cancer patients. Despite heterogeneity of the data and several confounding variables, they managed to show that mortality from sepsis is increased in patients with malignancies. This is a valuable contribution to the study of sepsis and cancer and it deserves to be published in WJCC. The data were analysed in accordance with the PRISMA statement. The paper is well written, however, minor language polishing is necessary before publication.

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Scientific quality	[<input checked="" type="radio"/>] Grade A: Excellent [<input type="radio"/>] Grade B: Very good [<input type="radio"/>] Grade C: Good [<input type="radio"/>] Grade D: Fair [<input type="radio"/>] Grade E: Do not publish
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Its nicely written article. As figure and legend are separate it was hard to follow.