

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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<b>Scientific quality</b>	<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 Grade E: Do not publish
<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
<b>Conclusion</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
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## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In contrast to the well-established management pathways for HCC and intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma, treatment remains a gray area for combined hepatocellular-cholangiocarcinoma currently. The overall prognosis of patients with combined hepatocellular-cholangiocarcinoma is worse than that of patients with HCC, and the prognosis is like that of patients with intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma. This study is designed to investigate overall survival and recurrence-free survival after radical resection in patients with combined hepatocellular-cholangiocarcinoma. The design of this study is very well. The methods are described in detail, and the sample size is large. The authors found that adjuvant TACE after surgery prolongs recurrence-free survival, suggesting that TACE is a possible option for postoperative adjuvant therapy in patients with combined hepatocellular-cholangiocarcinoma. These findings are very interesting. Results are discussed well. Minor comments: 1. There are some minor language polishing, which require a minor editing. 2. The figures are somewhat small, please make an update to the images. 3. References list should be edited with PMID.

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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This is an interesting study of the prognostic analysis of patients with combined hepatocellular-cholangiocarcinoma after radical resection. The aim of the study is clear, and results are very interesting. The conclusion was made based on the results, it seems reasonable. Manuscript is very well written. Only some minor editing is required. The reviewer recommends to accept this manuscript, without any specific comments to the authors. Congratulations.

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In this study, the authors reviewed consecutive patients with cHCC-CCA who received radical resection from China. The sample size of the study is large, and inclusion criteria for patients are reasonable. Data are well analyzed, and discussed. The limit of the study is also listed and discussed. References are updated. Please remove the supplementary to another document. Manuscript should be edited, and updated according to the journal's guidelines. An acceptance is recommend after a minor editing.