



## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Thanks for the opportunity to review the REVIEW "Non-surgical approach to recurrent (RHCC): from locoregional treatments to immunotherapy". The authors reviewed that the current clinical practice by underlying the importance of the radiological approach both in the diagnosis and treatment of RHCC. In order to improve the manuscript, the following points need further consideration: The radiology-related keywords were added to the current title might be appropriate. The application of CEUS to the diagnosis and monitoring of HCC/RHCC needs to be expanded appropriately.



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### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The author has traced back the role and significance of imaging evaluation for judgement whether liver malignancies recur after treatment. The author did extensive literature review, with a result that it is widely known that the relevant imaging examination and evaluation is quite valuable in the assessment of recurrence of liver malignancies. However, the author did not make dependent elaboration on difference between imaging characteristics of liver malignant tumor after recurrence and primary tumor. In especial, there is lack of the review that the imaging features of recurrent tumors after drug chemotherapy compared with those before treatment. At the same time, there is also a lack of review and elaboration of the commonly used nuclear medicine in detection and evaluation of tumor recurrence. In view of the above-mentioned reasons, the retrospective literature is in lack of medical depth, which requires to be further expended and improved respectively.

### **RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT**

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<b>Language quality</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input 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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### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Thanks for the opportunity to re-review the REVIEW "Radiological findings in non-surgical recurrent HCC: from locoregional treatments to immunotherapy". The authors reviewed that the current clinical practice by underlying the importance of the radiological approach both in the diagnosis and treatment of RHCC. After appropriate literature expansion and interpretation, I believe that the manuscript reflects progressiveness and meets relevant requirements.