

Dear Editor-in-Chief,

Thank you for your letter and the Reviewers' and Editor's comments on our manuscript entitled "Development of a Model Based on the Age-adjusted Charlson Comorbidity Index to Predict Survival for Resected Perihilar Cholangiocarcinoma" (Manuscript ID 83766). These comments are valuable to help us to revise and improve our study. We have studied the comments carefully and made amendments which we hope could meet with the Reviewers' and Editor's approval.

I enclose herein a revised manuscript which includes the details of our responses to the Reviewers' and Editor's comments. Please find enclosed our point-by-point responses to the Reviewers' and Editor's comments.

**Reply to comments raised by Reviewer #1:**

**Comment:** Cholangiocarcinomas carries one of the poorest outcome after treatment , the manuscript aims to develop as assessment system to the outcome by using ACCI score. Authors used data from different centers as retrospective evaluation of the outcome and risk factors for CCA patient survival after curative resection . I found the manuscript is very helpful and could be the beginning to validate this score in a perspective study or by different group of clinicians. Such a score may help also in patient counseling and giving more attention to the high risk patients.

**Response:** Many thanks for your comment. Your recognition and encouragement is a great honor for our team. Cholangiocarcinoma, as a tumor with extremely aggressive malignancy, continues to have poor long-term survival even when patients receive

curative resection. We developed the ACCI-based prediction model to predict OS of patients after radical resection for pCCA with the hope of providing evidence-based medical evidence in the treatment of pCCA by biliary surgeons, thus facilitating them to make better treatment decisions.

**Reply to comments raised by Reviewer #2:**

**Comment:** I congratulate the authors for Development of a Model Based on the Age-adjusted Charlson Comorbidity Index to Predict Survival for Resected Perihilar Cholangiocarcinoma name's article. Best regards.

**Response:** Thank you for the comment. Your recognition and encouragement is a great honor for our team. We also consider your recognition and encouragement as our motivation to continue our clinical research.

**Reply to comments raised by Editor:**

**Editor:** I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report and the full text of the manuscript, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted. I have sent the manuscript to the author(s) for its revision according to the Peer-Review Report, Editorial Office's comments and the Criteria for Manuscript Revision by Authors. The quality of the English language of the manuscript does not meet the requirements of the journal. Before final acceptance, the author(s) must provide the English Language Certificate issued by a professional English language editing company.

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Best wishes, looking forward to your reply!

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