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#### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This paper is on a novel prognostic score based on TBAR and FAR in ampullary adenocarcinoma. Lymph node metastasis is often a significant prognostic factor in periampullary malignancy, but this score overcomes it. I would like to use this score.

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The authors demonstrated the clinical significance of preoperative Total Bilirubin-Albumin Ratio (TBAR) and Fibrinogen-Albumin Ratio (FAR) in patients with ampullary adenocarcinoma (AC). Although this original article is informative for readers, there is one comment. Comments 1. Although score-2 group was an independent protective factor for overall survival (Table 3), score-high groups were not independent factors for recurrence-free survival (Supplementary Table 3). The authors should explain about this result.