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#### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an extremely well conducted meta-analysis of the effect of perioperative BCAA supplementation in liver cancer patients undergoing surgical intervention. The topic may be of interest for clinicians working in the field, rather for a general audience, but I think that the results deserve dissemination. My only comment lies with the abstract: the Background is somehow unclear, can the Authors reword?

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