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PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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	[] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Very good [] Grade C:
Scientific quality	Good
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Novelty of this manuscript	[Y] Grade A: Excellent [] Grade B: Good [] Grade C: Fair [] Grade D: No novelty
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Scientific significance of the	[] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Good [] Grade C: Fair
conclusion in this manuscript	[] Grade D: No scientific significance
Language quality	[] Grade A: Priority publishing [Y] Grade B: Minor language polishing [] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[] Accept (High priority) [] Accept (General priority) [Y] Minor revision [] Major revision [] Rejection
Re-review	[]Yes [Y]No
Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: [Y] Anonymous [] Onymous
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Hai-Yang Li et al, performed a bibliometric analysis to systematically assess the current state of research on HCC-telomerase. The study is interesting, since it represent an emerging topic in hepatocellular carcinoma. Nevertheless, the study presents major limitations that need to be addressed, as follows: 1) Introduction. The authors stated that "Surgical resection is still the main treatment option for patients with HCC. This is not completely true, since also locoregional therapies and liver transplantation may be considered as curative therapies. Please include this in the introduction and consider to cite the following papers: - Imaging appearance of treated hepatocellular carcinoma. World J Hepatol. 2013 Aug 27;5(8):417-24. - Survival of patients with hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) treated by percutaneous radio-frequency ablation (RFA) is affected by complete radiological response. PLoS One. 2013 Jul 29;8(7):e70016. 2) Why weren't other search engines used? Describe the reasons. 3) The conclusions paragraph should be one of the most relevant section of the paper, but it is concise. Extend the conclusions in both the abstract and the paper. 4) The English language may be improved. A language editing by a native speaker is necessary.



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