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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The purpose of this article was to compare hepatectomy and radiofrequency ablation for colorectal liver metastasis. The particular point of this article is "propensity score analysis". The authors used this method to match patients between these two groups and tried to overcome bias resulting from retrospective study. I reviewed the factors matched in this study and found it lacked of liver function evaluation (for example: Indocyanine green retention test) and comorbidities. Clinically, liver function and comorbidities should be initially considered when a patient is determined to receive operation or not. Patients with worse liver function or more comorbidities may have more potential to be diverted to non-operative treatment. Could the authors afford us such information?



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congratulations the methodology was so good