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Dear Professor Lian-Sheng Ma,

On behalf of my co-authors, I would like to thank you and your editorial office for the useful comments and suggestions to our original manuscript entitled "Clinical outcomes of patients with two small hepatocellular carcinomas".

We have revised the manuscript as per the reviewer's comments, with a point-by-point reply provided below.

We are grateful for your further consideration for publication of this manuscript in your journal.

Kind regards,

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Reviewer #1 comments:

1. Introduction: line 28, please revise punctuation

- Thank you for the input. This line has now been amended in the revised manuscript

2. Methods: number of enrolled patients or patient under study should be written

- Thank you for the input. The number of patients under study have now been included within the methods of the revised manuscript

3. References: PMID and DOI data should be removed from all mentioned references.

- Thank you for the input. PMID and DOI data have been removed from all references in the revised manuscript

Science editor issues raised:

1. The “Authors Contributions” section is missing. Please provide the author contributions

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2. The authors did not provide original pictures. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor

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