

ROUND1

Dear editor:

Thank you and the reviewers for your valuable suggestions. We have carefully read through the comments and made corresponding revisions. In addition, the writing was edited by an English editor. Our responses to the reviewer's questions are listed below. We greatly appreciate your time and efforts to improve our manuscript for publication.

Sincerely,

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Reviewer: #03413692

"the paper is good and well written"

Response:

Thank you for your positive comments.

Reviewer: #03001816

I would advise careful editing of the manuscript for the writing; for example: "Primary liver cancer experienced poor prognosis and high mortality rate..." The patients are experiencing "poor prognosis and high mortality rate" - the cancers are not experiencing anything.

Response:

The manuscript has been edited by an English editor. The sentence has been amended to be "Patients with primary liver cancer experience poor prognosis and high mortality..." .

ROUND2

Reviewer: #03001816 (the second review)

The "answering reviewers" file I was sent is a powerpoint of images. The "manuscript" file I was sent has no indication of changes. When I am sent material that I can actually interpret with respect to the revision, then I can review it for the third time.

Response:

I have reuploaded the "answering reviewers" file and the "manuscript" file with indication of changes. Thanks for your advice.