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Please, add the section that was described in the review. The paper is well written with comprehensive references except the section that was suggested to be added. The authors are commended for their superb review.



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The article by Goma A and Waked I has reviewed the recent advances in multidisciplinary management of hepatocellular carcinoma by citing a large number of literatures. This is an interesting article and will be helpful for scientists and clinicians in this area. However, there are several pitfalls and the authors are required to revise and improve the present manuscript before it can be acceptable. Major comments: 1. The title of the manuscript is "Recent advances in multidisciplinary management". However, the authors have cited some old literatures and spent a large part in details to describe surgical resection, liver transplantation, local ablation, PEI, RFA, TACE, Radioembolization, et al. Some of them are indeed not "recent advances" as they have become the routine treatments for HCC in clinic. The authors should delete some parts of them (context and references) to make the manuscript concise. 2. The title of the manuscript is "..... multidisciplinary management of HCC". However, the authors did not focus on "multidisciplinary management". They only introduced each therapy, but not the combination of them, except for sorafenib and other anticancer drugs. The authors has mentioned that "It is crucial to manage HCC patients by a multidisciplinary team [10,11] which should include hepatologists..... All should play an active role and their expertise is required to provide optimal care for patients with HCC." What does multidisciplinary management mean? Minor comments 1. There were numerous mistakes of spelling and punctuation. Several sentences are confusing. The reviewer could not understand the meaning. The authors should ask a native English speaker or an article editing service to check throughout the



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manuscript. 2. The authors should consistently use either American English or British English. For instance, tumor or tumour. 3. Three-line table should be used.