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Title: A Nomogram to Predict Overall Survival After Gallbladder Cancer Resection in China

Reviewer 1

Reviewer's code: 02840081

Reviewer's country: Japan

Reviewer's comments to authors:

Recently, a more accurate and effective survival model for predicting the prognosis of patients with nonmetastatic gallbladder after surgical resection derived from the SEER database was built. However, due to the limited number of GBC patients and disparate risk factors in China, to the best of our knowledge, no predictive model has been established to evaluate the prognosis of patients with GBC in China. In this study, the authors incorporated individual correlation determinants into a nomogram to predict overall survival for GBC patients after radical resection. Overall, the study is very well designed and the the results are very interesting. 1 Title is succinct, and reflects the main subject/hypothesis of the manuscript. 2 The abstract summarizes and reflect the work described in the manuscript. 3 Methods are adequate, and described very detail in the main text. 4 Results are interesting and well displayed. And the follow up data are good 5 The lastest references have been listed and discussed with the results. 6 Main text requires a minor editing.

Answers to reviewer 1:

First of all, thank you for taking the time to review our manuscript. As you mentioned, studies in related fields in China remain limited. We also appreciated your concise and organized suggestions for revising our manuscript. Because we are not native English speakers, we have followed your advice and carefully modified the main text again to better describe the results and conclusions of our research. To further improve the language quality of our manuscript and meet the publication requirements of the journal, we turned to a professional English language editing company (AMERICAN JOURNAL EXPERTS, AJE) to polish the language of this manuscript.

Reviewer 2

Reviewer's code: 03645518

Reviewer's country: South Korea

Reviewer's comments to authors:

Excellent study about the curative resection for gallbladder carcinoma. In this study, the authors integrated clinically significant variables related to prognosis after curative resection for gallbladder carcinoma into a predictive nomogram. About 142 gallbladder cancer patients who underwent curative intent surgical resection were included. A multivariate Cox proportional hazards model was used to select variables to construct the nomogram. Discrimination and calibration of the nomogram were performed via the concordance index and calibration plots. And ROC curve analysis and DCA were performed to evaluate the predictive accuracy and net benefit of the nomogram. A high prediction accuracy was verified via bootstrap validation. And the calibration plot demonstrated good performance of the nomogram. ROC curve analysis revealed high sensitivity and specificity. Also, a high net benefit was proven by DCA. After calibration and verification, this model was shown to have high predictive accuracy and clinical utility for assessing the survival time of patients undergoing curative intent resection for gallbladder cancer. The study is very well designed, and the results are very interesting. Congratulate to the authors for their work. Those results are very useful to the clinicians. Some minor language revisions is required

Answers to reviewer 2:

Thank you for your affirmation of our work. We have studied your valuable and helpful comments. As you indicated, some language problems need to be modified. We have tried our best to revise the manuscript and have also employed AMERICAN JOURNAL EXPERTS (AJE), a professional language editing company, to further polish the language in our manuscript to meet the requirements and standards of the journal.

Reviewer 3

Reviewer's code: 02856102

Reviewer's country: South Korea

Reviewer's comments to authors:

This study is very interesting and the manuscript is very well written. I have no sepcific comments to the authors, only some minor language polishing should be checked.

Answers to reviewer 3:

Thank you very much for your comments. As suggested, we have not only carefully revised and polished our manuscript but have also sought help from a professional language editing company (AMERICAN JOURNAL EXPERTS, AJE). We have done our best to ensure that our manuscript meets the language quality required by journal.

We have rewritten the CONCLUSION section of the Abstract and reduced the word count to under 26 words. We also have revised the format of the citations and bibliography according to the instructions. Changes to the main text are highlighted in red. In addition, we have also defined the abbreviations that appear in the figures and tables. We have highlighted these changes in yellow in the revised manuscript.