

**Title: Early extrahepatic recurrence as a pivotal factor for survival after hepatocellular carcinoma resection: a 15-year observational study**

The statistical methods of this study were review by a member of the Biostatistic Service from the from Biomedical research institute of Chonnam National University Hospital.

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