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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Authors should put in evidence the role of Metabolic Syndrome, discussing it at large, the mechanisms of which could be found in the literature or better following this article, i.e., Could metabolic syndrome lead to hepatocarcinoma via non-alcoholic fatty liver disease? World J Gastroenterol. 2014 Jul 28;20(28):9217-28

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In this study, the authors investigated the potential associations between pre-existing diabetes (DM) with hepatitis B virus (HBV)-induced hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC), HCC recurrence and long-term survival after LT in a large cohort. The authors concluded that liver transplantation (LT) HBV-related HCC patients with DM have decreased long-term overall survival, and poor LT outcomes. Prevention strategies for HCC patients with DM are recommended. Comments This is an interesting study. This manuscript is well-written. The results can support the conclusion. The reviewer has only one minor comment that there are several typing errors in this manuscript.