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| Scientific quality | [ ] Grade A: Excellent [ ] Grade B: Very good [Y] Grade C: Good<br>[ ] Grade D: Fair [ ] Grade E: Do not publish                               |
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| Language quality   | [ ] Grade A: Priority publishing [ Y] Grade B: Minor language polishing [ ] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [ ] Grade D: Rejection |
| Conclusion         | [ ] Accept (High priority) [ ] Accept (General priority) [ ] Minor revision [ Y] Major revision [ ] Rejection                                  |
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# SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The paper deals with an interesting argument and it is well written. Even if it does not produce any original finding, it could fit with the minireview form. The arguments are well exposed. I would change the title: it cannot be put in the foreground the clinical aspects, because in the text you show only future and not established clinical implications for HGP. I would also modify both the abstract (the entire second part of the abstract is a sort of general summary of the argument, not of your paper) and the conclusions in order to be less generic and more incisive: underline more practical aspects as well as true future perspectives in clinical practice. References are good, I would add a reference in pag 21 when you talk about therapy of colorectal liver metastases (survival, therapy of choice). Only minor revision



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The authors demonstrated the clinical importance of histopathological growth pattern (HGP) in patients with colorectal cancer liver metastases (CRCLM). Although this minireview has the clinical importance, there are several comments. Comments 1. Representative hematoxylin and eosin staining for dHGP and rHGP should be indicated as Figure. 2. Table 1 should be modified. The authors should indicate the real date of OS, PFS, and DFS.



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The title reflects the main subject of the manuscript, and the absctract summarizes the study. As a review, the manuscript describe the background of the study. Nevertheless, as a review, the manuscript make no original contributions in the field. The manuscript becomes cumbersome in extension. It might be good to reduce the too long text to adequate to the Journal review and make it more attainable to the reader. On the contrary, the Discussion fall short in the manuscript and more extension will be desirable. The tables are well displayed. References are appropriately cited, updated, and self-cited are correct. The prase ", and noninvasive methods identifying HGP futher" in the Abstract is not clear. IN pge 6, in HGPS AND THERAPIES "Yet, previous study showed..." must be "sutidies"