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PEER-REVIEW REPORT

Name of journal: World Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery Manuscript NO: 66146 Title: FINDING THE SEED OF RECURRENCE: HEPATOCELLULAR CARCINOMA CIRCULATING TUMOR CELLS AND THEIR POTENTIAL TO DRIVE THE SURGICAL TREATMENT Reviewer's code: 03765203 Position: Peer Reviewer Academic degree: PhD Professional title: Doctor, Postdoc, Senior Researcher Reviewer's Country/Territory: Brazil Author's Country/Territory: Brazil Author's Country/Territory: Italy Manuscript submission date: 2021-03-21 Reviewer chosen by: AI Technique Reviewer accepted review: 2021-03-22 12:01 Reviewer performed review: 2021-04-05 01:16

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Scientific quality	[] Grade A: Excellent [] Grade B: Very good [Y] Grade C: Good [] Grade D: Fair [] Grade E: Do not publish
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I work with a highly relevant narrative review design. Approach the topics on the technique very concise and with a current and relevant scientific basis. Robust arguments for the implementation of liquid liver biopsy in the clinical routine.