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This is a review article examining factors which influence prognosis in patients with colorectal cancer with liver metastases. It addresses historic aspects, multiple-factor prognostic scores and the newer areas of genetic mutation analysis. The article is very well written, comprehensive, clear and a useful update for clinicians with an interest in this area. It should be published. Ajith Siriwardena MD FRCS Professor of Hepatobiliary Surgery



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Well written overview. Little to criticize. A correction is however required on Page 13: text " In a separate study, Blazer et al. ... In this group of patients, 75% had a complete response (no residual cancer cells), 56% a major response (1% to 49% residual cancer cells), and 33% a minor response (> or = 50% residual cancer cells)." is factually incorrect. This study reported on 9% pCR, 36% major response, and 55% minor response.