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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

1. I suggest that the authors could provide the discrimination between western and eastern therapeutic effects on HCC patients in the table 3.

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Comment on the manuscript 22024 by Thillai, et al. Thillai et al comprehensively summarized the current up-date of the genetic abnormality of HCC. The content is timely and useful for clinical and basic researchers of HCC. A total of 5 minor revisions are required for corrections: 1) Next generation sequencing analyses revealed that TERT is the most frequently up-regulated gene due to promoter mutation in HCC. Then authors should refer that TERT is the promising target in "Perspective". 2) Is the reference '13' in Introduction (page 3, line 31) correct? 3) Cited articles for next generation sequencing are old and the sample number is small. The authors should cite the article by Totoki Y, et al (Nature Genetics, 2014) and Schulze K, et al (Nature Genetics, 2015). 4) In "Underlying liver cirrhosis", direct acting antivirals drug for HC infection should be referred (as combination therapy in "Perspective"). 5) Clinical trial by anti-PDL1 agent nivolumab might be presented by Anthony B. El-Khoueiry in ASCO 2015. It should be clearly stated.