

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Language quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
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## **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Dear Editor, thank you so much for inviting me to revise this manuscript about cholangiocarcinoma. This study addresses a current topic. The manuscript is quite well written and organized. English should be improved. The tables are comprehensive and clear. The introduction explains in a clear and coherent manner the background of this study. We suggest the following modifications:

- Introduction section: although the authors correctly included important papers in this setting, we believe the authors should discuss and briefly report the evolving systemic treatment scenario for cholangiocarcinoma and the association of locoregional approaches such as ablative modalities and systemic therapies, and some recently published papers should be added within the introduction ( PMID: 32994319; PMID: 32396398 ; PMID: 33645367 ; PMID: 33592561 ), only for a matter of consistency. We think it might be useful to introduce the topic of this interesting review.
- The authors should expand some sections, including a more personal perspective to reflect on. For example, they could answer the following questions – in order to facilitate the understanding of this complex topic to readers: What are the knowledge gaps and how do researchers tackle them? How do you see this area unfolding in the next 5 years? We think it would be extremely interesting for the readers. However, we think the authors should be acknowledged for their work. In fact, they correctly addressed an important topic, the methods sound good and their discussion is well balanced. We believe this article is suitable for publication in the journal although some revisions are needed. The main strengths of this paper are that it addresses an interesting and very timely question and provides a clear answer, with some limitations. We suggest a linguistic revision and the addition of some

references for a matter of consistency. Moreover, the authors should better clarify some points.

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Novelty of this manuscript	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: No novelty
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<b>Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: No scientific significance
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This a very usefull review of Intraductal radiofrequency ablation for Cholangiocarcinoma, highlighting the main topics regarding the subject, the informartion are updated, the text is concise and the sessions are clearly displayed for the reader. Congratulations for the authors. English polishing is not needed.

## RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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