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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors comprehensively reviewed the advances in radiotherapeutic treatment of HCC. In general, this is a well written review where I learned a lot. My only minor concern is to clarify the abbreviation such as KPS, EORTC, etc.

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I think this is an interesting review on a very interesting topic.

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Dr. Kalogeridi et al reviewed the role of radiotherapy for hepatocellular carcinoma systemically. They described the curative treatments for hepatocellular carcinoma briefly, then, focused on radiotherapy for hepatocellular carcinoma. Several problems are needed to be revised in this manuscript: 1. Too many spelling errors in this manuscript. 2. In page 3, transplantation is considered for patients who meet the Milan criteria, not UNOS criteria. 3. In page 3. The sentence "Although a cornerstone in the treatment of HCC it is limited by the shortage of organ donors." is not clear and may not be suitable. 4. Currently, artificial ascites is adopted in RFA treatment to approach the difficult areas described in the manuscript. 5. The results of radiotherapy should be clearly mentioned in cell studies, animal studies, phase I, phase II or phase III clinical trials because the results in different stages mean difference.