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Dear Authors, thank you for submitting this highly interesting paper to WJG. At all the paper is well written in many aspects. In my opinion it can be shortened more than 20% without losing value of the conclusion. Sometimes less is more for better understanding. But the worldwide problem of organ shortage should be mentioned at least in Conclusion although Spain itself is far from the burden situation in other countries. Sincerely Reviewer

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Liver transplantation (LT) is one of the most important therapeutic strategies of hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC). Along with the continuous development of clinical experience and knowledge of this cancer, to maximize the benefit of treatment, it is a obligation to optimize the standards for selecting candidates of LT, determining priority of patients on the waiting list (WL), and clarifying the indications for bridging therapy. In this manuscript, the authors made a great work in resuming the most important and latest information of this topic. It is an interesting study and can be useful to clinicians. However, there are several questions should be addressed before further consideration. 1. There are too many errors of English writing in this manuscript. To improve the readability, this manuscript should be generally revised by an native speaker. 2. In the section of Diagnosis, the authors summarized noninvasive methods of the HCC diagnosis and said "magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)... is the most sensitive method for the detection of small HCC" (page 7, the last sentence but one). Since PET (position emission tomography) -CT is emerging worldwide, which has significant advantage of sensitivity, the application of this method and related standards should be



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summarized in the text. 3. There is too much similar information about one standard in the same section, like the roles of AFP and radiological/morphologic tumor characteristics in the selection of LT candidates (page 9 – 11). It is suggested to summarize these data in tables. Conclusion: Major revision