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To The Editors,

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Dear Editors,

Thank you for your response to our submission (Manuscript NO.: 65552, Minireviews) "Current status of liver transplantation for cholangiocarcinoma".

We appreciate the comments of the reviewer and editor. We address each below noting where the changes have been made in the manuscript file.

Editors:

Comment 1: A total of 61 references are cited, including 14 references published in the last 3 years; the references should be updated.

Response: Additional references that have been published within the last 3 years have been added to the manuscript [citations 21, 22, 33, 40, 41, 43, 59]. Of the 68 references in the manuscript, 21 have been published within the last 3 years.

Comment 2: The format should be revised according to the Author Instruction.

Response: The format of the article has been updated according to the guidelines, format, and requirements for manuscript revision.

Reviewer 1:

Comment 1: The review of liver transplantation for hilar cholangiocarcinoma and intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma is simple and not thorough enough. For example, in the treatment of intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma, the article only mentioned Very-early iCCA in cirrhosis and Locally advanced iCCA. Risk factors for recurrence of intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma after transplantation, neoadjuvant therapy, targeted therapy, etc. were not summarized.

Response: Detailed descriptions on LT for perihilar CCA are provided in the 'history of LT for pCCA' section, along with accompanying figures 1-3. We have added a subsection to the article regarding risk factors for recurrence after LT for iCCA. We have also added a section regarding

risk factors for recurrence after surgical resection. A description of currently used neoadjuvant and adjuvant therapy protocols is also detailed in the revised manuscript. Targeted therapies are further discussed and summarized in the 'alternative treatment strategies' section of the article. We again appreciate the reviewers' work to make this manuscript better and hope that our revision and this letter fully address the editorial and reviewer comments.

Thank you for considering our revised manuscript,

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