Reviewer's report

Title: Three-dimensional Drip Infusion CT Cholangiography in patients with suspected obstructive biliary disease: A retrospective analysis on adverse reaction to contrast material and feasibility.

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General

Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

1. There are several results that are included in the discussion section. It would be more appropriate to explain these in the results section of the paper. Further detailed discussion regarding DIC-CT would be useful.

2. The majority of cited references were published over 10 years ago. The readers want to know more recent results. As such, more recent advances in the field and references would be valuable.

3. What is the significance of DIC-CT(CT-cholangiography)? Is DIC-CT superior to available methods such as MRCP in the case of limited contraindication and availability? Since MRCP has become widely available and few patients have contraindications, what is the advantage of the DIC-CT method? The clinical application and resent advantage of this technology need to be discussed in the discussion.

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

1. In the materials and methods, authors describe the statistical methods using SPSS. However, statistical significance is not noted in the results section. Please indicate the statistically significant differences where they occur.

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

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I declare that I have no competing interests.