Reviewer's report

Title: Comparison of thymidine phosphorylase expression and prognostic factors in gallbladder and bile duct cancer

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Major Points
1. What the authors reported is no novel. Analogy result has been reported by many papers.
2. The authors could not get the result of independently factors by univariate analysis. Multivariate analysis should be used (P7, last paragraph).

Minor Points
1. P3, line3: “with an annual incidence of 4,166 cases per 100,000”. The ratio may be a little high, please verify it.
2. P5, line1-2. It is very important to define the criterion of the score of Immunohistochemical staining. Citation with some references or guideline is helpful and necessary.
4. It is necessary to be extensively reviewed to improve English writing.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests