Reviewer’s report

Title: Hepatitis viruses infection and risk of intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma: evidence from a meta-analysis

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Studies investigating the association between Hepatitis B virus (HBV) and hepatitis C virus (HCV) infections and intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma (ICC) have reported inconsistent findings. The authors conducted a meta-analysis of epidemiological studies to explore this relationship. A comprehensive search was conducted to identify the eligible studies of hepatitis infections and ICC risk up to September 2011. This study suggests that both HBV and HCV infection are associated with an increased risk of ICC, but their impact might be quite different across different countries or areas.

Study is well designed and showed important data, especially analysis of this health problem in a different areas of the World.

Based on all notes above, I can recommend this paper for publication without significant changes.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.