Reviewer's report

**Title:** The effect of ursodeoxycholic acid in Liver functional restoration of patients with obstructive jaundice after endoscopic or surgical treatment: A prospective, randomized, and controlled study

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**Reviewer:** JAVIER PADILLO

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Major Compulsory Revision

1. - The authors include external and internal drainage in the specific aims. It should be better to include only internal drainage.

- Endoscopic and surgical drainage are also included. Surgical drainage could be associated with a worse liver recovery due to perioperative events.

To analyze the specific role of UDCA on liver recovery, only patients with endoscopic internal drainage should be included.

2. - The estimated sample size could be too small

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

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

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interest