Reviewer’s report

Title: A case of a hepaticocystic duct: a rare anomaly of the extrahepatic biliary system

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Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: An unexpected event in the course of observing or treating a patient

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: No

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: Yes

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

This manuscript indicated the anomaly of biliary tract which was relatively rare. In the period of laparoscopic cholecystectomy, this kind of knowledge for biliary system is very important in terms of the avoidance of iatrogenic injury. The authors recognized the abnormality of the biliary system during the attempting laparoscopic cholecystectomy, and safely finished the operation after converting open surgery. It was better choice to change to the open surgery in such a case.

1. The authors indicated the two photos in Fig.1. Although Fig 1.B is not necessary.

2. How did they close the wall of the GB? Running or interrupted suture? Absorbed or non-absorbed thread? Please specify because it was leaked.
Quality of written English: Acceptable