Reviewer’s report

Title: Successful en bloc resection of recurrence hepatocellular carcinoma directly invading the abdominal wall: case report

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Reviewer: Athanasios Marinis

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?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: No

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:

Thank you for your revision. We would like authors to comment on the following question:

1. Why did you perform initially resection of the two tumora with the addition of TACE? Since the patient was Child A was there any contraindication for a left lobectomy? Do you believe that this minor initial procedure is responsible for recurrence? Please comment on this.

2. Authors should add the resected specimen (the photo on their response letter) were the abdominal wall en bloc with the liver lobe is seen.

3. Please improve your language as best as possible.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely
related research interests

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

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