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Title: The Geriatric Nutritional Risk Index Independently Predicts Adverse Outcomes in Patients with Pyogenic Liver Abscess.

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valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper, as well as the important guiding significance to our researches. We have studied comments carefully and have made correction which we hope meet with approval. The main corrections in the paper and the responds to the reviewer’s comments are as flowing:

Responds to the reviewer’s comments:

Reviewer #2:
1. In table 3, please add footnotes for categorical data analysis
   “a, chi-squared test; b, Fisher’s exact” was added.

2. In abstract, OR for adverse outcomes was 2.08, but in table 5, the number is 2.04. Why is that?
   Due to my negligence, the abstract has been modified to 2.04

3. whether the methods are appropriate to predict mortality given the extremely tiny proportion of mortality.

First, Liisa Meddings et al suggested that PLA in hospital mortality was only 5.6%, and multivariable logistic regression was used to predicted in-hospital mortality in patients with PLA[1]. Second, Ayako Kunimura et al evaluated that the association between GNRI and long-term outcomes after elective percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI), which study consisted 802 patients, during a median follow-up period of 1568 days, 56 cardiac death occurred, multivariable logistic regression was used to predicted cardiac death in patients with PCI[2]. Third, line 224-225, limitations section, “PLA patients’ mortality rate during hospitalization was substantially smaller (21 cases of death)” was added.

We appreciate for Editors/Reviewers’ warm work earnestly, and hope that the correction will meet with approval.
Once again, thank you very much for your comments and suggestions.
Sincerely,

Chao Zhen
