Reviewer’s report

Title: Predictive value of gamma-glutamyl transpeptidase to lymphocyte count ratio in hepatocellular carcinoma patients with microvascular invasion

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Comments

#1 In introduction please correct the sentence 'Liver cancer is a major public health problem facing the world'

#2 In result section (Clinicopathological parameters of HCC patients), authors have just shown the correlation, but they are concluding that 'These results suggest that inflammatory factors, such as NEUT, WBC, Globulin and AST, increase the risk of MVI in patients with HCC, and GLR acts as an inflammatory factor'. For this conclusion they have not shown any data. Authors should perform experiments showing how NEUT, WBC, Globulin and AST increase the risk of MVI in patients.

#3 Please correct this line in the discussion section: 'This is consistent with the research results that anti-inflammatory therapy can effectively prevent the early stage of tumor occurrence and malignant transformation.12'. Is 12 a reference?

#4 In the result section: All the headings are just statements. It will be great if conclusions are added (heading) in the each section of the result. That can be very helpful for the reader to understand.

#5 In conclusion section: Please change the line 'we fully believe'. It looks nonscientific.

#6 Figure 2 and 3 are not high-resolution images. Please replace with better quality images.

#7 This study shows interesting results. I suggest authors to correlate their findings with publicly available databases.
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