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To the Editor:

We read the recent Journal of Hepatology article published by Padickakudy *et al* [1]. The author portrayed a narrow windows of preoperative intra-platelet serotonin (IP5-HT), which balanced the liver regeneration and tumor progression after liver resection for liver tumors (73 < IP5-HT < 134 ng/ml). Excessively high IP5-HT (> 134 ng/ml) was associated with early tumor recurrence, lower rate of morbidity and less complications. In addition, the overall survival was not significantly different in IP5-HT level in this study.

We want to point out that in contrary to the results obtained by Padickakudy et

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