

**Table 3:** Preoperative laboratory indices of the two cholangiocarcinoma patient's groups (with and without postoperative infection after percutaneous biliary stenting).

	Alb (g/L)	CRP (mg/L)	Hb (g/L)	PT (s)	CA19-9 (U/ml)	WBC ( $\times 10^9/L$ )
Infection group	$38.89 \pm 8.94$	$16.52 \pm 1.52$	$116.30 \pm 12.31$	$12.43 \pm 0.81$	$334.50 \pm 27.15$	$8.97 \pm 3.47$
Non-infection group	$43.48 \pm 7.73$	$16.29 \pm 1.47$	$120.93 \pm 8.83$	$12.50 \pm 0.82$	$333.78 \pm 26.09$	$8.03 \pm 2.23$
t	3.990	-1.205	3.009	0.687	-0.204	-2.183
p	0.000	0.229	0.003	0.492	0.838	0.032

Values are reported as mean  $\pm$  standard deviation. t: t-test, Alb: Albumin, CRP: C-reactive protein, Hb: Hemoglobin, PT: Prothrombin time, CA19-9: Carbohydrate antigen 19-9, WBC: White blood cells.