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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 33194-review.doc).

Title: Is there still a role for the hepatic locoregional treatment of metastatic neuroendocrine tumors in the era of systemic targeted therapies?

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Dear Editor,

Thank you for your interest in considering a revised version of our manuscript.

Please find herewith enclosed a copy of our revised manuscript entitled “**Is there still a role for hepatic locoregional treatment of metastatic neuroendocrine tumors in the era of systemic therapies target?**”. Following the amendments and changes as suggested by the reviewer and the Editor (all the edits are reported in bold letters within the text). We hope the revised version will now be suitable for publication in “*World Journal of Gastroenterology*”.

Our point-to-point response to the Reviewer is with this letter.

We thank you for your continuing consideration and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

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In this editorial review, the author discussed whether there was still a role for the hepatic locoregional treatment of metastatic neuroendocrine tumors in the era of systemic targeted therapies. The author analyzed all the locoregional therapy modalities (i.e. surgery, ablative treatments and transarterial approach) and aimed to provide clinicians with a useful algorithm to best treat GEP-NEN patients metastatic to the liver. It was concluded that considering the lack of randomized trials comparing locoregional treatments in advanced GEP-NEN, clinical judgment remains key to set the most appropriate therapeutic pathway. Prospective data may lead to more personalized and optimized treatments. This editorial review is described in detail, which, as valuable information, could help the readers that have better understand the first-hand knowledge of this topic to start novel studies.

We gratefully thanks the reviewer for his kind comments and his appreciation of our manuscript.

Editor Comments

The text has been amended according to the Editor's suggestions and all the revisions made have been highlighted in the final version of the manuscript, in particular:

The language certificate has been provided,

In the affiliations, the required postcode has been provided,

An Audio Core tip file has been provided as requested,

Reference style has been amended,

The algorithm figure has been amended: fonts has been changed in book antiqua and lines have been deleted. Should any other amendments be necessary, please do not hesitate in contact us.

Finally, few stylistic amendments have been done throughout all the text and references.