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## **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The authors conducted a retrospective study to determine the short- and long-term outcomes of minimally invasive pancreatic resection in patients with nonfunctioning-pancreatic neuroendocrine tumors (NF-PNETs). In this study, 110 patients were retrospectively reviewed and groups of patients who underwent open surgery and minimally invasive surgery were compared. They found that there was no significant difference in short-term outcomes nor recurrence rates between the open resection approaches and minimally invasive resection approach for NF-PNETs. They concluded that a minimally invasive approach could be safe and feasible for select NF-PNET patients. In general, this is a well-written paper that presents interesting data. It will be of interest to readers of this journal, especially to the surgeons in the field. I have the following concern. 1. The authors should include more detailed comment on lymphadenectomy. Since the study highlights the long-term outcomes, discussions for the difference in the extent of lymphadenectomy between two surgical approaches should be added. The paper requires revision, which are listed below. 1. Figures are inconsistent with the Figure legends. It needs to be revised. 2. Delayed gastric emptying (DGE) is defined by the ISGPS, not by the ISGPF. It needs to be revised throughout the paper. 3. In Tables 2 and 3, error in the abbreviations of "ISPGF" needs to be revised as "ISGPF".