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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Dear authors this is a very interesting manuscript as it proposes a new therapeutic strategy for LAPC. First, In this paper the authors aim to compare the therapeutic efficacy between conventional gemcitabine (GEM) plus concurrent IRE and GEM alone for locally advanced pancreatic cancer (LAPC). The authors found that GEM plus concurrent IRE resulted in significantly prolonging overall survival (19.8 mo) compared with chemotherapy alone. GEM plus concurrent IRE has a synergistic effect on the clinical treatment of LAPC. Second, The results section provided the relevant data after this new combination therapy. The discussion section gave emphasis to the new contribution of the study in its field. The authors stated that they performed no less than 30 min of an intravenous infusion of GEM (1,000 mg/m²) prior to IRE, which gave novelty to the study. Third, the limitations of the study were also described. As a preliminary exploration, this study has better clinical value and application prospects. Therefore, the manuscript presents sufficient quality to be published in this journal.

RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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The study deals with an interesting theme. Authors results suggest that GEM plus concurrent IRE can effectively prolong the survival time with fewer complications. As a preliminary exploration, this study has better clinical value and application prospects. The author has added the “article highlight” section in the revised manuscript. Therefore, the manuscript presents sufficient quality to be published in this journal.