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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Within this manuscript authors reviewed the significance of PARP-1 inhibition in BRCA-associated pancreatic cancer. In recent years, PARP1 inhibitors have been demonstrated to provide a significant benefit among patients with breast/ovarian cancer and germline BRCA1/2 mutation. The successful results of clinical trials for PARP inhibitors among subtypes offer new ideas for the treatment of pancreatic cancer. The Pancreatic Cancer Olaparib Ongoing trial has demonstrated that the median progression-free survival was observably longer in the olaparib group than in the placebo group. Therefore, the use of PARP inhibitors in pancreatic cancer has broad prospects and may bring hope to this challenging disease. Both PARP1 and BRCA function in DNA damage repair, so inhibition of PARP1 led to synthetic lethality of BRCA-associated cancer cells. The molecular mechanisms and clinical applications of PARP inhibitors in cancers (including pancreatic cancer) have been discussed in many papers, e.g., *Mol Cancer*, 2020, 19(1): 49., *Science*, 2017, 355(6330): 1152-1158. I have no doubt about the topic of this manuscript.