



PEER-REVIEW REPORT

Name of journal: World Journal of Clinical Oncology

Manuscript NO: 42815

Title: Pancreatic cancer screening in patients with presumed branch-duct intraductal papillary mucinous neoplasms

Reviewer’s code: 00209021

Reviewer’s country: Turkey

Science editor: Ying Dou

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing	(High priority)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept	<input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing	(General priority)	Peer-reviewer’s expertise on the topic of the manuscript:
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		<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Dear editor, The authors undertook a review concerning pancreatic cancer screening in patients with presumed branch-duct intraductal papillary mucinous neoplasms. They should be congratulated for this high quality review. The manuscript is well-written



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with adequate reference to the current medical literature in the field. The content of the text is satisfactory enough and the tables are informative. The review can be published for educational purposes especially for clinicians in the field.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The topic of the manuscript is of real interest for the readers. Cystic tumors of the pancreas are increasingly reported, but the approach of branch-type IPMN is highly controversial. Thus, few studies recommend an aggressive approach (i.e., resection),



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while others suggest a non-operative approach for most of BT-IPMN. Furthermore, the rate of malignant transformation of a BT-IPMN recognizes a considerable variability, but it is widely considered to be low. Nevertheless, pancreatic cancer is a highly lethal disease, and the association with BT-IPMN is poorly investigated. Whether a patient with BT-IPMN has a high risk of pancreatic cancer development remains an open debate. The manuscript is nicely written. However, some concerns should be raised: The Title appears to deal with BT-IPMN and concomitant pancreatic cancer. However, the manuscript deals mostly with all IPMN. Please put in accordance. The Abstract should have more definite conclusions, based on the data provided in the manuscript. There is some conflicting statement in the Introduction and Abstract. Thus, in Introduction, it is said that even if the patients are diagnosed in the earliest stage of pancreatic cancer, the prognosis is still poor. Conversely, in the Abstract and it is said that early detection of pancreatic cancer is the key to overall survival improvements. To me, these two statements are in the odds, and some clarifications should be made to put in accordance with the two statements. The statement that the majority of pancreatic cysts are representatives of IPMN is sustained by the literature data. No data are provided for other cystic lesions of the pancreas such as a serous cyst, serous cystadenoma, neuroendocrine cystic tumors, etc. The References includes mostly Japanese studies. Thus, the conclusions of this mini-review should highlight this because the situation in the Western World can be different.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I read the manuscript named “Pancreatic cancer screening in patients with presumed branch-duct intraductal papillary mucinous neoplasms”. (Manuscript NO: 42815) and my recommendations are as fallows. Title: It is accurately reflects the major



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topic and contents of the study. Abstract: Adequate, summarizing the topic. Topics has been discussed with all aspects. References: References are appropriate and updated. Tables are reflects the major findings of the study, and they are appropriately presented. The majority of pancreatic cancer patients are not diagnosed until an advanced stage. It is important to early detection of pancreatic cancer for improvements in survival and the authors point out to this issue. This study is clearly presented. Also, this manuscript gives additional new knowledge to the literature. I think that this manuscript is suitable and worth to be published in the World Journal of Clinical Oncology.

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Minor language polishing

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Reviewer's country: United Kingdom

Science editor: Ying Dou

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I find the article interesting. The sections help the readers to follow the review and tables are quite clear making it easier to understand some points. Conclusion is illustrative. The article is written in a concise manner and presenting well the relevant data.



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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This article reviews pancreatic cancer screening in patients with presumed branch-duct intraductal papillary mucinous neoplasm. It has significance for clinical practice.



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