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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 11775-review.doc).

Title: Pancreatic mass as an initial manifestation of polyarteritis nodosa: a case report and review of the literature

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) As to Fig.1, we tried to improve the quality of imaging figures by direct transfer the data through the computer system. .

(2) As to Fig. 2, we mentioned the staining method and magnification in figure legends. Also, according to the reviewer's comments, we added scale bars in the right lower corner of each figure. We rotated Fig. 2C upside-down according to the custom of the histological presentation (mucosa is upper side). Each panel was named as capital letter.

(3) We did PAS staining in the pancreatic and renal biopsied specimen. We only presented the data of renal biopsy by PAS staining as shown in Figs. 2D and E.

(4) We re-checked and improved the manuscript.

(5) References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,

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