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Re: Manuscript NO: 51939

Dear Editor,

Thank you for your careful review of our invited manuscript, "Neoadjuvant Therapy for Resectable Pancreatic Ductal Adenocarcinoma: The Need for Patient-Centered Research." We appreciate the time and effort of the reviewers and editorial board in reviewing our manuscript and providing valuable feedback.

We have carefully considered this feedback and have modified the manuscript based on their insightful comments. Please find detailed responses to individual reviewer comments included below.

It is our hope that the reviewer comments have been fully addressed and the opinion review is now appropriate for publication in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely,

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Reviewer 1:

1. Please correlate the data from Figure 2 with the title of the paper and with your conclusions; 2. In conclusion: please cut the term "future reasearch". Please present the current deficiencies related to this therapy. And let others judge from current deficiencies, which will be future research into this therapy.

We recognize how this figure can be misleading to the reviewer. On further consideration, the figure was deemed not to be integral to the author's message. Given the addition of a new table in response to Reviewer #2's suggestion, we elected to remove this figure from the manuscript. The conclusion paragraph has been revised according to the reviewer's suggestion.

Reviewer #2:

Authors interestingly focus attention on a new paradigm on therapeutic approach to PDAC concluding that there is a strong need of patient research centered approach. The opinion review is well written and the topic is well defined. I suggest to improve the manuscript with a table that summarize the evidences from published studies on this topic, that, as reported in figure 2, are in strong grow.

We thank the reviewer for their positive comments regarding our manuscript. In response to their suggestion, we have added a new table that reports salient articles on the current topic.