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| <b>Language quality</b>         | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing<br><input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection |
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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This is a good review. Authors try to review the treatment on HRQoL of GEP-NETs. However, the HRQoL assessment part was so long and tedious, and I propose the author to simplify it. The author should explain the difference among the assessments, and why prefer EORTC QLQ-C30 and GINET21 GEP-NETs. and we also want to know the conclusion or tendency of the author on the HRQoL of GEP-NETs following treatment.



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

It is a well written paper regarding a systematic literature review of health-related quality of life (HRQL) in Gastroenteropancreatic neuroendocrine tumours. Please discuss how different treatment regimens may impact HRQL parameters.



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## **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

General comment: This manuscript focuses on an interesting topic and the authors present their report in a well-written manner. However, there are certain major issues to be addressed prior to be considered for publication. Title: The authors performed a systematic review on studies assessing quality of life in GEP-NET patients including both cross-sectional and intervention studies. I strongly suggest to focus exclusively on pharmacological intervention studies excluding cross-sectional data and the study of the psychotherapeutic intervention based on SCT. After all, the authors emphasized the importance of taking into consideration quality of life when evaluating treatment outcomes. In this respect, the manuscript's title should be modified accordingly (for example: The impact of pharmacological treatments on GEP-NET patients' quality of life: a systematic review) Methods: The authors should present in more detail their search strategy and provide a relevant flow diagram Results: Although the authors refer to quality assessment at the methods section , there is no relevant data at the results section. In addition, given that most included studies used the EORTC QLQ-C30 or the GINET21, the authors should perform a meta-analysis or explain the reason not to. Results should not be presented study by study but should be classified and integrated in order to provide more solid and useful information. Discussion: The authors summarize their findings and make to the point suggestions regarding future research and clinical practice. However, they should avoid to re-iterate results and present p-values in the discussion section Results: