PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Language quality	[Y] Grade A: Priority publishing [ ] Grade B: Minor language polishing [ ] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [ ] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[ ] Accept (High priority) [Y] Accept (General priority) [ ] Minor revision [ ] Major revision [ ] Rejection
Re-review	[Y] Yes [ ] No
Peer-reviewer	Peer-Review: [Y] Anonymous [ ] Onymous

statements	Conflicts-of-Interest: [ ] Yes [Y] No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This letter represents a supplement to the original review. There are 2 comments to the authors. First, the authors demonstrated "PC consists of two main subtypes, including more common exocrine cancers and less common exocrine cancers". Please check the latter less common one is endocrine   cancers. Second, the NCT00899158 was completed in 2008, there was no study published yet? Please check.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This letter describes what is well known to anyone involved in the treatment of pancreatic cancer and a list of past and current clinical studies regarding tumor markers for pancreatic cancer. I am afraid to say that there is little novel information to be added in this field, so that this letter would not be worthy of publication in World Journal of Gastroenterology.

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This very interesting paper contains important recent data of diagnostic biomarkers for pancreatic cancer.   please check the proper formatting for LETTER TO THE EDITOR of this journal.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this letter, the authors commented briefly on O'Neill's review article. Interestingly, you summarized clinical trials evaluating diagnostic methods or biomarkers for PC in a table. However, in paragraph 2, I suggest you simplify the characteristics of PC and insert a summary on the limitations of clinical application of multi-biomarker panel.My other questions are shown below: 1.In line 45: Do you mean "less common endocrine cancers"? 2.In line 58: Is the term "benign pancreatic benign disease" correct here? 3.In line 73: It is "Table 1". 4.In table 1, some statements lack necessary references.