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Language quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a retrospective case-control study about endoscopic ultrasound elastography in the diagnosis of malignant pancreatic masses and associated lymph nodes: a critical evaluation of the strain ratio cut-off value. A correlation analysis between PM/LN diameter and Strain Ratio value is suggested.

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Please make the following modifications: 1. rewrite the title of the manuscript. 2. Try to incorporate the primary numerical values in the results portion of the abstract. 3. Summarize the background portion of the manuscript with additional recent references. 4. The methods section is well-written and does not require any additional revisions. 5. Remove the subheadings from the results section. 6. The limitation, recommendation, and future prospects must be included in the manuscript's discussion section. 7. Try to expand upon your conclusion. 8. Several typographical errors were detected when reviewing. 9. In the references section, revise your list of references to reflect the necessary changes. //Best of luck//

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Manuscript entitled "Endoscopic ultrasound elastography in the diagnosis of malignant pancreatic masses and associated lymph nodes: a critical evaluation of the strain ratio cut-off value" is an interesting study that scientifically demonstrates the value of EUS-elastography in the diagnosis of solid PMs and associated LNs. Authors demonstrated that the SR cut-off values proposed have a high sensitivity and specificity for the detection of malignancy. The language of the article is fluent and the logic is smooth. Several points should pay attention and be improved. 1. There are several grammatical mistakes and the writing should be improved. 2. The discussion of conclusion and perspectives part in this field is insufficient. 3. For the novelty of this review, more recent references should be cited. 4. Figures of EUS-elastography should be added in order to make the study more convinced.

RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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After reading the revised manuscript, we believe that "Endoscopic ultrasound elastography in the diagnosis of malignant pancreatic masses and associated lymph nodes: a critical evaluation of the strain ratio cut-off value" can meet the publication standard.