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Dear Reviewers and Editors,

Thank you for your valuable feedback on our manuscript "Treatment patterns and survival outcomes in patients with non-metastatic early-onset pancreatic cancer". These comments and suggestions are very important for us to better improve our manuscript. We have revised the manuscript according to the comments. Point-by-point responses to the editor's and the reviewers' comments are provided below this letter.

Reviewer #1:

Although early-onset pancreatic cancer is less common than late-onset pancreatic cancer, it greatly increases the burden on individuals, families, and society of pancreatic cancer patients. Patients with non-metastatic early-onset pancreatic cancer are likely to benefit from local plus systemic therapy. However, very little data exist regarding the treatment outcomes of non-metastatic early-onset pancreatic cancer. In this study, the authors investigated the clinical features, treatment patterns, and survival outcomes of patients with non-metastatic early-onset pancreatic cancer. This study is well performed. The methods are described in detail, and results are well discussed. The images of the survival are excellent. The reviewer recommends to accept this study, after a minor editing of the manuscript. Minor comments to authors: 1. Manuscript requires a minor editing. Please revise it according to the journal's guideline. 2. The images should be updated. Red and green color cannot appear simultaneously in one image. 3. Please add PMID number to the references list. 4. In the table 3, the first line "Characteristics", should be arranged. Maybe the editor can be help.

Response to reviewer #1:

Thank you for your positive recommendations. Your valuable comments are inspiring. We have made revision referred to your advice. Here are our responses:

1. We have revised the content and formatting according to the journal guidelines, corrected grammatical and punctuation errors, and added some cutting-edge literature.

2. We have updated all figures according to your and the journal's requirements, and ensured that red and green do not appear in the same figure.

3. We have added PMIDs for references and standardized the citation format.

4. We have carefully revised and formatted the tables according to your suggestions.

We have tried our best to revise and improve our manuscript according your comments and suggestions. These changes will not influence the content and framework of the paper.

We appreciate for Editors and Reviewers' time and work, and hope that the correction will meet with approval.

Yours Sincerely,

Jing Wang