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CLASSIFICATION	LANGUAGE EVALUATION	RECOMMENDATION	CONCLUSION
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A (Excellent)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority Publishing	Google Search:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B (Very good)	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: minor language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Existed	<input type="checkbox"/> High priority for publication
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C (Good)	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: a great deal of language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> No records	<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D (Fair)	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: rejected	BPG Search:	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E (Poor)		<input type="checkbox"/> Existed	<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision
		<input type="checkbox"/> No records	

COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

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This is an interesting manuscript wherein the authors have reviewed the current state of knowledge of pancreatic cancer. I have the following concerns on the paper that needs to be addressed. 1. The title of the review goes as 'SURVIVAL AND QUALITY OF LIFE IN PATIENTS WITH PANCREATIC CANCER'; while the content of the manuscript appears to be a general review of pancreatic cancer. Therefore, it would be more appealing if the authors either change the title of the article to represent the contents or change the contents according to the title. I personally would prefer my first suggestion. 2. There are several typographic errors all throughout the manuscript. These needs to be corrected. 3. The flow of the manuscript appears haphazard. For example, authors described different treatment modalities and then again include a segment under the name of evidence based medicine. Are the data that the authors already mentioned prior to this segment not evidence based? 4. Somewhat more detailed description of biomarkers will make the review more informative. The authors have not included biomarkers like blood glucose and adrenomedullin. (Chari, Gastroenterology). 5. Presentation of surgical and chemotherapy data can be more informative in tabular form. 6. A separate section on quality of life appears to be missing from the manuscript, as alluded to in the title. 7. A paragraph on future of treatment of pancreatic cancer would make the review attractive!