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JOURNAL EDITOR-IN-CHIEF (ASSOCIATE EDITOR) COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a well conceived paper. 1. The authors should provide better quality histologic slides and at higher magnification. 2. Optimally SLITRK3 expression should be quantified using imaging techniques. 3. The manuscript requires additional language improvements: e.g. in abstract risk rating, SLITRK3 protein levels measured they were not measured they were determined The correlation of SLITRK3 expression to pathological measures pathological measures is not precise The paper can be considered for the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology.

Response to comments:

1. The authors should provide better quality histologic slides and at higher magnification.

Response: The images were scanned on APERIO automatic scanning system with the highest magnitude of 20x. We have changed to images with closer view of local details.

2. Optimally SLITRK3 expression should be quantified using imaging techniques.

Response: We do agree that imaging optimal quantification of images would be more



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accurate. We would like to incorporate the analysis into our future study, or if absolutely necessary, with extended time period for revision.

3. The manuscript requires additional language improvements: e.g. in abstract risk ratio, SLITRK3 protein levels measured they were not measured they were determined. The correlation of SLITRK3 expression to pathological measures pathological measures is not precise.

Response: We have made modification to avoid ambiguousness. Also the draft was proofread again.

The paper can be considered for the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology.

Response: Thank you for your positive opinion! We really appreciate the opportunity to contribute for your journal!