

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

**Name of journal:** World Journal of Gastroenterology

**Manuscript NO:** 38866

**Title:** Stage III Should be Subclassified into Stage IIIA and IIIB in the American Joint Committee on Cancer (8th Edition) Staging System for Pancreatic Cancer

**Reviewer's code:** 02954661

**Reviewer's country:** Romania

**Science editor:** Xue-Jiao Wang

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| CLASSIFICATION   | LANGUAGE EVALUATION  | SCIENTIFIC MISCONDUCT                          | CONCLUSION   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing     | Google Search:                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Accept                        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing           | <input type="checkbox"/> The same title        | <input type="checkbox"/> High priority for publication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing | <input type="checkbox"/> Duplicate publication | <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejected                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor revision     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Poor                 |  | BPG Search:                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision                |
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|  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Duplicate publication |  |
|  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Plagiarism            |  |
|  |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No         |  |

## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Dear Editor, Thank you for the opportunity to review the interesting manuscript entitled 'Stage III Should be Subclassified into Stage IIIA and IIIB in the American Joint Committee on Cancer (8th Edition) Staging System for Pancreatic Cancer'. The authors reviewed 1744 patients with pancreatic cancer included in the SEER database. Minor concerns: In the Figure 1 and 2 please present the P value and the statistical test used for group 3 versus group 1+2. The paper has merits to be accepted.

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| CLASSIFICATION   | LANGUAGE EVALUATION  | SCIENTIFIC MISCONDUCT                          | CONCLUSION   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing     | Google Search:                                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept             |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Poor                 |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No         | <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision                |
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The authors demonstrated the clinical importance of subclassification for stage III in patients with pancreatic cancer. I assess that this manuscript would be accepted without revision for publication in the World Journal of Gastroenterology.

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| CLASSIFICATION           | LANGUAGE EVALUATION                             | SCIENTIFIC MISCONDUCT     | CONCLUSION                        |
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Great paper