

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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**Title:** Large-duct pattern invasive adenocarcinoma of the pancreas – a variant mimicking pancreatic cystic neoplasms: A minireview

**Reviewer's code:** 05106105

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**Professional title:** Chief Technician, Professor

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<b>Scientific quality</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish
<b>Language quality</b>	<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
<b>Conclusion</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
<b>Re-review</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Peer-reviewer statements</b>	Peer-Review: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input type="checkbox"/> Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No



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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

In your review, you describe all conditions underlying the large-duct type variant, a unique subtype of pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma (PDA) with cystic features, which has not been reviewed in the literature. Your reference documentation is very comprehensive and the review concludes almost all conditions that may have something to do with mucin profile and genetic alterations in distinguishing large-duct PDA from IPMNs. I can imagine how much work you have done for this professional review. A flaw in this otherwise perfect writing is that there are some sloppy grammatical issues. I recommend that you give a final polish to your writing to keep your message as concise as possible. Overall, the abundant information from this review contribute to our understanding of large-duct pattern invasive carcinoma of the pancreas. I really appreciate your great work and it's my great honor to read this paper.

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<b>Language quality</b>	[ <input checked="" type="radio"/> ] Grade A: Priority publishing [ <input type="radio"/> ] Grade B: Minor language polishing [ <input type="radio"/> ] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [ <input type="radio"/> ] Grade D: Rejection
<b>Conclusion</b>	[ <input checked="" type="radio"/> ] Accept (High priority) [ <input type="radio"/> ] Accept (General priority) [ <input type="radio"/> ] Minor revision [ <input type="radio"/> ] Major revision [ <input type="radio"/> ] Rejection
<b>Re-review</b>	[ <input type="radio"/> ] Yes [ <input checked="" type="radio"/> ] No
<b>Peer-reviewer statements</b>	Peer-Review: [ <input checked="" type="radio"/> ] Anonymous [ <input type="radio"/> ] Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: [ <input type="radio"/> ] Yes [ <input checked="" type="radio"/> ] No



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To Authors The Title and Abstract are correct and correspond to the content and aim of the study. The Introduction develops clearly the topic of the histological and genetic alterations of PDA and the perspective of the differentiation from the cystic pancreatic tumors and the detection of cystic subtype of PDA. In the minireview the Authors report organically the data from the literature of all the patients suffering from large-duct PDA. The data analysis is very accurate: epidemiology, tumor location and symptoms, imaging findings, pathology with immunohistochemistry, genetic alterations, treatment and prognosis. The Conclusion is appropriate with the development and results of the study. The References are up-to-date and complete. The Figures and the Tables are clear and completely integrate the text. In summary this is an excellent study that provides a valuable and fundamental contribution to the definition of the new large-duct subtype of PDA.

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<b>Re-review</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Sato and colleagues, write an excellent review on Large-duct pattern invasive adenocarcinoma of the pancreas. Overall this is very interesting topic in pancreatic cancer with overall limited understanding. Review is in-depth and summarizing published literature very nicely. Authors have done an excellent job in highlighting various features of large duct type adenocarcinoma macroscopically as well as in pathology.

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The question and suggestion as following: 1. How to define the large duct and main PD or the same. 2. If the branch duct PDA closed to the main PD, and how to classify?

3. In the section of "endoscopic findings" .....highly challenging (see the "PATHOLOGY" section below for more details)..Please take a consideration as ...highly challenging which will be described well in the section of "Pathology".... 4. Are the figure 3 and 4 taken from the same patient? 5. This is a suggestion that do you think the difficulty to give a subtype for PDA and why? Therefore, please take the next consideration of cellular origin of carcinogenesis about the PDA arisen form main PD to the terminal PD through the pathway of the differentiation and trans-differentiation between the pancreatic duct and glandular stem cells in your future.



## RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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