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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This manuscript is well organized review on metastatic tumor to the pancreas. It will be useful to HBP surgeon when treating the patients with metastatic tumor of the pancreas.



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This paper is a review of the patients operated on for pancreatic metastases. The subject is interesting and the literature review is extensive. However there are major weaknesses in this manuscript. 1. In the form, there is a method section but the results section is not presented. 2. The abstract is poorly informative as there is no recommendation for the main cancer types. 3. There too many figures on the pancreatic metastases. Figures 1 and 2 both present metastases of renal cell carcinoma... One would be sufficient. Idem for figures 3 and 4 presenting metastases of colorectal cancer and figures 5 and 6 presenting metastases of melanoma... 5. Tables are difficult to read and only present several cases. Informations could be reduced to avoid listing a case series for each cancer type. A classification by resection type could be proposed. Is a column meaningful when presenting only UK for unknown data? 6. The introduction comprises a lot of elements (surgical techniques, therapeutic choices that could be presented in a discussion section 7. Conclusion should be enlarged to present one sentence for each major cancer type.



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In the manuscript "metastatic tumors to the pancreas. The role of surgery" by Sperti et al., the authors review the current literature on pancreatic resections in the rare event of metastases to the pancreas. Thereby, they focus on the most common secondary malignancies in the pancreas such as renal cell cancer metastases, breast cancer metastases, colorectal carcinoma metastases, malignant melanoma metastases, lung cancer metastases and sarcoma metastases. An extensive literature review was performed and presented in a comprehensive manner. Clearly, the implications that can be drawn from this review are inherently limited by the overall very small numbers of resected secondary malignancies in the pancreas. But this review offers a good overview of published small series and case reports. Some minor spelling and grammar errors need to be corrected.