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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: Update on the prevention of local recurrence in PM in Pts with CRC_1.doc).

Title: Update on the prevention of local recurrence and peritoneal metastases in patients with colorectal cancer

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewer 02543485:

1. Regarding future directions: A paragraph at the end of the manuscript on future directions was added. I agree that this is an important addition to the manuscript.
2. The unpublished data from the Medstar Washington Cancer Institute is still unpublished but now has been submitted. I am hopeful that a reference can be provided prior to final publication. I have changed the status of this data from unpublished data to submitted for publication.
3. Regarding Figure 1: In order to retain this figure but also make the information provided more relevant, I expanded the figure legend. I think that this explanation shows that the figure should be retained because it provides relevant information to the paper.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Best regards,

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