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Response to Reviewers

Reviewer 1: Reviewer's code: 00001832

*The manuscript by Zhang and co-workers reviews diagnosis and management of serous cystic neoplasm of the pancreas (SCN). This is an interesting and timely review. The manuscript is in general well written. Drawbacks: this is a comprehensive, yet not systematic review. There have been other (also recent) reviews about this topic. Minor points: Figure 1 is of comparably low quality and should be omitted. Nomenclature should be consistent SCN (not SCA). A recent larger series of SCN should be cited: Reid et al., Am. J. Surg. Pathol. 2015; PMID: 26559376*

**This is a comprehensive, yet not systematic review. There have been other (also recent) reviews about this topic.**

We have changed the "systematic" to "comprehensive" in the text, which was labeled in red. We agree with the Reviewer that there have been other reviews about this topic, however we respectfully insist that our review exclusively centered on SCN and we strived to avoid extensive descriptions and discussions on other subtypes of PCNs. We believe this concise overview is of value to the field.

**Figure 1 is of comparably low quality and should be omitted.**

We deleted Figure 1 as suggested.

**Nomenclature should be consistent SCN (not SCA).**

We have updated all abbreviations to SCN in the text.

**A recent larger series of SCN should be cited: Reid et al., Am. J. Surg. Pathol. 2015; PMID: 26559376**

We agree with the Reviewer that this reference of importance especially in aspect of clinicopathological characteristics of SCNs. We have cited this article accordingly, and the updated reviews and discussions were labeled in red in the text.

Reviewer 2: Reviewer's code: 00186066

*Zhang et al have presented a comprehensive review on serous cystic neoplasm of the pancreas, that includes discussion on pathology, clinical and radiological aspects, diagnostic dilemma, and treatment options. They also mention about the clinician's anxiety that could impact the final decision making. However, the authors have not referred to and discussed the most recent multicenter study on SCN that involved over 2500 patients. This study have meticulously dealt with all aspects of SCN. It would be important to include this study in the review.*

We agree with the Reviewer that as a comprehensive review, any related large-scale multicenter research study should be included and discussed. Therefore, we have cited

this research article in the text, which made this review richer and deeper. All added and updated text specifically associated with this article was marked with red.

Above all, the language has been polished and certificated as suggested by a third party to reach Grade A level.



