

All peer reviewer comments are addressed below, and further improvements are also listed. All manuscript changes are highlighted in yellow.

- 1) Source of the drug DCA has been added (requested by reviewer **00505881**).
- 2) Normal values of all lab tests have been added to all tables (requested by reviewer **02444931**).
- 3) CT scan images at the start of therapy have been added (requested by reviewer **00505881**).
- 4) Latest CT scan images that were just obtained last month have been added for comparison (requested by reviewer **00505881**).
- 5) Reviewer **00013033** felt that there is no causation established between the DCA therapy and stabilization of cancer in this patient. As mentioned in the manuscript, we cannot say with 100% certainty that DCA was the only cause of the cancer stabilization. There may have been a synergistic anti-neoplastic action with the natural medicines for example.

Clearly chemotherapy could not account for the stabilization because it was stopped about 4 years ago (46 months ago). And the patient did not receive any conventional cancer therapies during the 4 years that her stage 4 colon cancer stopped growing.

None of the other medicines the patient is taking have any proven cytostatic properties in vivo for human colon cancer (methadone, lipoic acid, benfotiamine, or acetyl L-carnitine). But DCA does have multiple in vitro and in vivo publications that confirm it can trigger apoptosis in cancer cells, or act as a cytostatic agent (as referenced).

Since it is virtually impossible for stage 4 colon cancer to simply stop growing on its own for nearly 4 years, the claim of DCA being the main causative factor in this patient's cancer stabilization is not exaggerated.

- 6) Further updates:
 - a) New blood report from 2016 became available after the initial manuscript submission, this has been added as Table 4 and added to the CEA graph.
 - b) New CT scan from June 2016 became available after the initial manuscript submission, this has been added (representative images)
 - c) Duration of stabilization of the patient's cancer has been updated based on the latest CEA and latest CT scans
 - d) Reference format adjusted to match WJCC requirements
 - e) "COMMENTS" section added as requested