

Answering reviewers

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Title: Gastrointestinal Bleeding as Initial Presentation of Extramedullary Plasma Cell Neoplasms: Our experience and review of the literature

Reviewer's code: 02573214

Reviewer's country: Italy

Science editor: Jin-Lei Wang

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			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors report a case of gastrointestinal bleeding as initial presentation of extramedullary plasma cell neoplasms. The case is rare and the literature review is interesting. The discussion is too long and it is better to synthesize it.



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INITIAL REVIEW OF THE MANUSCRIPT

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Dear Reviewer ,

Thank you for your time to read our manuscript, your useful comments and your support towards publication. Due to the literature being so rare for the plasmablastic myelomas of the small bowel, we tried to cover the topic from all possible aspects discussing about various topics (presenting symptoms, pathophysiological mechanisms, diagnostic pathways, clinical management and oncological/haematological approaches) which made our discussion quite extensive. We thought that this would be a good enough summary covering all the aspects of this rare entity. I followed your advice and I reduced the discussion, hoping that it is easier to read now.

Once more, thank you for your comments.

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The case is rare and the authors did a great effort to explicit the presenting disease in literature review. I have only one minor confusion in the first sentence of the last paragraph in Results section, i.e. "Unfortunately, we were unable to retrieve any data



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Dear Reviewer,

Thank you for reading our paper and for your support towards publication. We really appreciate your time and all the nice comments you made about our effort. Please allow me to clarify the point that you mentioned in your comment: "Unfortunately, we were unable to retrieve any data about the treatment eleven of the cases had because there was no information on the reports". These 11 reports had unfortunately not sufficient information about the treatment their patients received and therefore we couldn't retrieve this piece of information to add on our summary table (i.e. Table 1) and our analysis. This is why in these 11 cases on the treatment column of our table we put N/A. Ideally, if we had treatment plans for all the case reports (surgery, chemotherapy etc) we

could have created a more consolidative approach on the treatment options of this disease. I hope my explanation was sufficient but please let me know if further clarification is needed.

Once more, thank you for your support.