



PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language	(High priority)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good	polishing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept	<input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of	(General priority)	Peer-reviewer’s expertise on the
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publish	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General
			<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a very good minireview focused on Immune checkpoint inhibitor-induced colitis, a frequent adverse event after therapy. The Authors based their exposition and discussion on clinical, endoscopic and pathologic findings. The presentation seems clear



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and complete. I have no suggestions.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The studied topic is frequently studied, some points are needed to be clear: Sample size is not studied collectively like other studies , studying of each clinical trial sporadically give less statistical significance data Details of therapeutic regimen of choice are very



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lacking in the provided table More details on provided figure and more illustrating figures are needed (provided data on figure are very few and not informative) Please concise introduction and discussion Update references, many reviews regarding this topic are added recently

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In the era of personalized medicine, immune checkpoint inhibitors (ICPI) have become a new category of drugs used to treat various solid tumors. The GI complications associated with ICPI are gradually recognized. This manuscript reviews the clinical and



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pathological aspects of ICPI-induced colitis/diarrhea, which may serve as a reminder for the oncologists, gastroenterologists, and pathologists. The suggestions and comments are as follows: 1. The "Pathology" section is very weak, which may reflect the fact that the authors are not pathology expert. Thus the paper will be improved by including a gastrointestinal pathologist as a co-author and rewriting the pathology section. It should also include any features that may alert the pathologist of unsuspected ICPI-induced colitis such as autoimmune-type change, and stress the importance of sharing relevant clinical information with the pathologist. 2. Representative pathology images of ICPI-induced colitis should be provided. 3. A table to summarize clinical and pathological findings will further improve the paper. 4. The authors may consider to move the first section "Associated morbidity ..." to the end, after "Pathology". 5. Some of the statements are difficult to understand and need to be re-worded or clarified, such as: "Pathological findings of ICPI-induced colitis may not be associated with a different type of ICPI". 6. Minor grammar edits are recommended.

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