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## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [ ] Grade B: Very good [Y] Grade C:
Scientific quality	Good
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Novelty of this manuscript	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [ Y] Grade B: Good [ ] Grade C: Fair [ ] Grade D: No novelty
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this manuscript	[ ] Grade D: No creativity or innovation



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Scientific significance of the	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [ Y] Grade B: Good [ ] Grade C: Fair
conclusion in this manuscript	[ ] Grade D: No scientific significance
Language quality	[ ] Grade A: Priority publishing [ ] Grade B: Minor language polishing [ Y] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [ ] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[ ] Accept (High priority) [ ] Accept (General priority) [ Y] Minor revision [ ] Major revision [ ] Rejection
Re-review	[Y]Yes [ ]No
Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: [Y] Anonymous [ ] Onymous  Conflicts-of-Interest: [ ] Yes [Y] No

## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The writing requires extensive editing. Correct all errors. Be consistent with how "SW620" is written. Is it true that colon cancer is the leading cause of global cancer deaths? https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/cancer The errors bars are what? SD or SEM? It should be SD.