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Re: Anal Intraepithelial Neoplasia: A Review of Diagnosis and Management

Response to reviewers:

Reviewer 1:

"This is a very nice review article about the optimum chemotherapy in the treatment of anal cancer. It is very well structured and is comprehensive about the issue. It should be accepted for publication."

We thank the reviewer for his or her recommendation that our article be accepted for publication. As there were no specific comments, we made no changes in response to this reviewer.

Reviewer 2:

"A fairly exhaustive review of the literature has been undertaken by the authors. There are however, some important comments made regarding the manuscript. It will help improve the article if these comments are acted upon."

We found no specific recommendations from this reviewer, thus no changes were made in response to this reviewer.

Reviewer 3:

"Very thorough review of AIN and its management acceptable for publication in its current form. It would be interesting to add tables with references on incidences as per high risk populations, progression rates from LGSIL to HGSIL and anal cancer if those are available and a table with effectiveness of treatments in a comparative fashion"

We thank the reviewer for the positive comments. In response to the comments about additional tables, we agree that a table depicting AIN progression rates will help

summarize this topic as the text is fairly dense. We have created a new table to address this (labeled Table 2; previously labeled Table 2 is now Table 3). With respect to another table summarizing AIN treatment efficacy, we felt the data on treatment was too heterogeneous to be effectively included in table format. We respectfully decided to leave this out.

Editor's comments:

- 1) None of the authors have any active grant funding that directly supported this work. Dr. Kaz's research time is partially supported by the VA Puget Sound Healthcare system. A statement reflecting this has already been included in the original manuscript.
- 2) An audio coretip has been created, and will be submitted with this revision.
- 3) We have corrected formatting issues related to the citation style and in text citations.