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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Kanthan and colleagues, conducted an excellent, comprehensive and broad review of the rare entity: "Mixed epithelial endocrine neoplasms of the colon and rectum "where they explained in depth, the history of the nomenclature, clinical and pathologic aspect of the tumor, treatment and prognosis of this rare disease. They also added a schema proposing a new classification for this rare type of tumor that is really clear concise and very helpful for clinician in order to guide their treatment strategies. The language is excellent and highly pedagogic providing newcomers to the field and students with a great opportunity to have an overview of this rare tumor. However, below some minor comments for further clarifications : 1- Page11: Add reference to the following phrase: "Ca15.3 and Ca19.9 can be used clinically to identify and follow disease progression and remission:" 2- Page 43: in the proposed classification diagram: there is some contradiction in the intermediate and low grade categories as they both have adenoma and NET low grade. Please clarify