



PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Reviewer's country: Italy

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

This is an interesting manuscript that aimed to evaluate the association between second primary malignancy and radiotherapy. In general the paper is well written; I would suggest a language revision for typo and grammar errors (eg the title of the paragraph "References" instead of "Reference" and so on). Please delete the last part of the



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discussion as it is reported in the Conclusion paragraph. The Methods section is clear and well described, as well as the results. Tables and figures are good. I would suggest to include in the discussion more reference on the topic (e.g. Martling A et al Br J Surg. 2017 ; Grosso G et al BMC Surg. 2012; Biondi A World J Gastrointest Surg. 2016). I would also include a conclusion statement on the future perspectives based on the results.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Good article, well written. The conclusions are based on a very big sample size. I'm surprised that radiotherapy is not associated with SPM incidence. Good to hear that as many of patients are treated with irradiation. The manuscript meets the requirements of ethics and the requirements of biostatistics. The article cites appropriately the latest,



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important and authoritative references in the introduction and discussion sections. The figures, diagrams and tables are clear, good quality and appropriately illustrative of the paper contents. Well done.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This article has a unique point which is to compare preoperative long and short course radiation therapy. But follow-up period is relatively short.

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