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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The whole manuscript is very well organised, with data that helps to outline the purpose of the manuscript. As the authors admit, their study has some drawbacks due to the small number of cases (especially HER-2-positive cases), the impossibility to perform the



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IHC/DISH of all of the whole-sectioned specimens, and to unify the durations of the very-long-term fixation. However, it brings also important results providing evidence that the pieces that were beyond fixation duration, up to 1 week instead of 6-72 hrs according to the ASCO / CAP recommendation, may be worth interpreting for HER-2 or PD-L1 expression. And this fact is very important for clinical cases in unavoidable circumstances. Just two minor observations: 1. In Abstract at the results section, the last two phrases must be removed as they repeat the previously exposed results, and as the idea resumes again in the Conclusions section. 2. Table 3 - samples 14, 20, 25 were declared negative for HER2 expression. Please explain why in the manuscript.

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i FOUND IT NICE PAPER FOR PUBLISHING HERE AND JUST HAVE TWO MINOR SUGGESTIONS! 1- Select better title for it according to the text 2- Rewrite your discussion; current style is not in accordance with other parts of the paper, Nice job



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