

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I found this case report interesting as PDT is not usually considered for rectal cancer as it for esophageal malignancies. Theoretically, there are similarities between the two anatomic areas. Nonetheless, I do not understand why the patient did not receive



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directed radiation therapy-possibly via CyberKnife. This would work well with the already administered chemotherapy. The paper should have mentioned more of the potential complications-especially structuring. Overall, this was a good case report but its applicability to general practice is suspect. Moreover, PDT is extremely expensive to maintain with need for laser, catheters and drugs.

INITIAL REVIEW OF THE MANUSCRIPT

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The paper is well written and conclusions are adequate to the scientific presentation

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