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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

I consider that the manuscript has been done correctly. The combined study provides new evidence supporting the importance of the marker YKL-40 in the development of colorectal carcinoma.

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I think the study is interesting and provides important data about the YKL-40 protein and colorectal cancer. The data provided enrich the information on the relationship of YKL-40 and the survival of patients with different types of cancer. It is important to carry out this type of study since it allows us to check hypotheses proposed by others authors in this case the association of YKL-40 with poor survival in patients with colorectal carcinoma was verified, however the study is limited to only 9 studies carried out, more studies are required to corroborate the role that YKL-40 plays in the survival of patients with colorectal carcinoma.