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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This paper is just a description of trials available without any critical evaluation and a tentative to indicate new ideas for future trials. The paper may be resubmitted when there will be more data and it will be possible to make a meta-analysis.

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Bevacizumab in the pre-operative treatment of locally advanced rectal cancer: a systematic review
This is a comprehensive review of the literature on the current status of Bevacizumab in the management of rectal cancer. The paper is on the whole written and appropriately referenced. There are some minor typos. My only major comment to the editors is that it reads a bit like the introduction to a thesis submission.

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Dear authors, Your article is well written and accurate. Anyway, I have some suggestions. You must provide in the article the criteria for advanced rectal cancer and the staging according to American Joint Committee Cancer. It is important to know if the patients have only local advanced disease or they have distant metastasis. I recommend to realize a link between the presented studies. It seems to be like a sequence of studies, more than a review. I recommend to provide a systematic arrangement of the studies: total number of patients, stages of the diseases, treatment regimen, complications, etc. Thus, a clear conclusion could be obtain easier. I consider that the conclusion should be shorter with a clear take home message. Perhaps a chapter of discussions should be inserted.