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<b>Language quality</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
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<b>Peer-reviewer statements</b>	Peer-Review: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input type="checkbox"/> Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

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

In this review, the authors detailed the epidemiology, diagnosis, treatment, and post-operative surveillance of retrorectal tumors. This is a very comprehensive article with case presentations and an appropriate number of figures and tables. There is nothing particularly objectionable in the article.

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

This is an important topic and it is a nice summary of the evidence. This seems like a simple summary of the evidence and management of these tumors, and does not highlight the complexity of the care, decision making and option for non-operative management for some benign tumors.

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

Dear Authors, Congratulations for this comprehensive review on retrorectal tumors. It is very well written, clear and concise. It allows to have a general view on a topic which is not very well described in literature. I have no comments on this review as it is very well made.

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

Thank you very much for the opportunity to review this paper. It is a well written review of the management of retrorectal tumors. The references are in order and the text it is well organized.