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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

It is an excellent, fully up-to-date review of one of the most important subjects in breast cancer treatment. All aspects are covered, including positive and negative results. Good mixture of relevant literature.



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Very interesting, well thought out and organized. To publish.



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GENERAL COMMENTS: Dear Authors, the manuscript “Mechanisms and Therapeutic Advances in the Management of Endocrine-Resistant Breast Cancer “ is very interesting and exhaustive in its contents, focusing on novel strategies to overcome therapeutic resistance. Nevertheless, on my opinion, it is characterized by several critical points, which should be addressed before taking it into consideration for publication. **SPECIFIC COMMENTS:** ? **TITLE** The title reflects the major topics and contents of the study. ? **ABSTRACT** The abstract gives a clear delineation of the research background and objectives, but methods and conclusions should be more detailed. **MANUSCRIPT** The manuscript is not well organized and structured. In particular: o At the end of the Introduction section, the appropriate references of the paragraph “A plethora of mechanisms have been proposed to explain resistance to endocrine therapy, including deregulation of various components of the ER pathway itself, activation of escape pathways that provide tumors with alternative cell proliferative and survival stimuli, alterations in cell cycle and apoptotic machinery, modulation in epigenetics and microRNA profile” should be inserted. o The Methods section is missing. It should describe in detail how the study was developed and carried out: the electronic databases used for the literature search (ie Medline, Cochrane Library, Scopus...); the time interval considered; the search string used; the criteria to identify and select the studies to be included in the review; how the assessment of the eligibility of the studies and the data extraction were performed. o The results are not organized in a specific Results section and do not report the findings of the literature search and the selection process (i.e. the number of potentially relevant articles yielded by the search strategy; the number of



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the paper excluded on the basis of the inclusion criteria; the final number of the papers included in the review). Furthermore, the results of the reviewed clinical trials should be reported in a more organized and concise way. o The Discussion section is missing. It should describe and discuss the added value of the study and the full public health implications of the study findings.