

May 29, 2014

Dear Editor,

Thank you very much for sending us the comments of review. With respect to the reviewer's comments, please see the following.

- "1. missing are multiple spacebars..."
 - o We are unclear as to what spacebars are missing. Perhaps the editor can clarify this for us.
- "2. considering thioTEPA..."
 - o The reviewer would like a more complete list of side effects. This is a historical review and is not intended to be used as a guide to therapy. Therefore it is unclear as to why side effects need to be provided. It would not add to the underlying historical theme.
- "3. the different clinical uses..."
 - o Our response to this criticism is similar to that of number two above. We were interested in the historical development of the drug, not in its various forms of administration for tumor control.
- "4. the limitations of intravesical therapy..."
 - o Again, this is not a paper devoted to the clinical uses but rather the historical development of a drug. Rather, limited dwell time and dilution by urine are of clinical relevance. But, they aren't of historical relevance.
- "5. solutions provided by industry..."
 - o This criticism is not relevant to the goals of our historical review.
- "6. other medical solutions that originated in the army...."
 - o With all due respect, this is beyond the scope of our manuscript but represents a fertile source for future research.

We look forward to receiving further suggestions regarding our manuscript and are happy to make required revisions as needed.

Sincerely,

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