Reviewer’s report

Title: Intraoperative radiotherapy electron boost in advanced and recurrent epithelial ovarian carcinoma: a retrospective study

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The report has improved, but there are still

Major Compulsory Revisions:

1) Discussion: Lie 34 : the authors still talk of extremity preservation" which is important for IOERT in extremity sarcomas, but definitely not in their patient group.

2) Discussion: The authors state that CA-125 levels decline after IOERT and IP CHT, but forget to mention that the tumor was resected and the tumor marker had to decline. In which respect do they consider their data to contradict Krivak et al.?

3) I was not able to view the mentioned graph and table, was it uploaded?

Minor Compulsory revisions:

1) the report should be revised by a native speaker

2) a picture of the IOERT-field, which explains, why the obturator nerve is not always included in the RT-field and how the radiotherapists can be sure it is excluded would be interesting

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Not suitable for publication unless extensively edited

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.