Reviewer's report

Title: Endosialin expression in relation to clinicopathological and biological variables in rectal cancers with a Swedish clinical trial of preoperative radiotherapy

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The immunostaining looks quite good and as for non-specific staining I'd think its not a factor. But in order to truly determine what is going on I'd like the authors to give us photos that we can truly compare.

Thus I'd like to see Figure 1 as follows
Panel a) normal tissue at 100 or 200 X
Panel b) normal tissue at 400 X
Panel c) tumor at 100 or 200 X (must be the same magnification as in Panel a)
Panel d) tumor at 400 X