Reviewer's report

Title: Mesenchymal and stemness circulating tumor cells in early breast cancer diagnosis

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There are still a lot of grammar and spelling errors which have to be corrected. Statistics: ...due to the fact that all were ER- and a few patients were ER-. That does not make sense.

ddCTC as well as CTC is sometimes fully written, sometimes abbreviated. Terminaison is french and I guess the authors mean termination.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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I have no competing interests.