Reviewer’s report

Title: Survival of endometrial cancer patients in Germany in the early 21st century: a period analysis by age, histology, and stage

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This paper straightforward paper describes survival data for endometrial cancer based on a large German population. The data are of interest to those practising gynaecological oncology, and developing trials in endometrial cancer.

It confirms a number of knowns, but provides up to date data relevant to modern practice in a highly developed healthcare system.

The report is well written, and the only comment I would make is that the relative survival relates to age matched populations. Women with endometrial cancer tend to be obese and have more co morbidity hence in the results of trials, deaths from other causes are common; around 30% over five years. I think there should be some acknowledgement and discussion of this. I think this paper will be cited by others.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I have no competing interests.