Reviewer’s report

Title: A word of caution: Do not wake sleeping dogs. Micrometastases of melanoma suddenly grew after progesterone treatment.

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Reviewer: Kevin Kim

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Thank you for providing the point-by-point responses to my comments. The revised manuscript is much clearer to me. My comments/questions were adequately addressed in the revised manuscript. There are no major comments now. However, I still have a minor comment:

The placement of the description of the clinical study/vaccine in the first paragraph of the background section is awkward. I think the manuscript will be fine without the first paragraph. Instead, "CSF470 vaccine" in the last paragraph of the Background can be replaced with "melanoma vaccine" to generally describe the treatment. The detailed description of CSF470 is already described in the Case Presentation section.

Otherwise, I have no further comments.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this interesting case.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I have no competing interests or conflict of interests for this manuscript.