Reviewer's report

Title: Preoperative serum HER2 extracellular domain levels in primary invasive breast cancer

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Reviewer: Ramon Colomer

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Minor: median follow-up of the series must be detailed.
Minor: Use or absence of use of trastuzumab must be explained (this is only mentioned in the discussion, and only 700 cases are analysed in the figure): was this due to slow penetration of trastuzumab in Korea, or was related to the inclusion of patients with small tumors, in which trastuzumab was not indicated?

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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