Reviewer's report

Title: Sialyl Lewis x expression in canine malignant mammary tumours: correlation with clinicopathological features and E-Cadherin expression

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General
This is a very interesting study. The novelty and scientific content of this manuscript warrant its publication in the BMC cancer, however considerable work is still required on the presentation of paper (discretionary revisions).

Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

Introduction
1. The introduction is too lengthy.
2. P5, line 1 - P5 line 15 should be moved to ?Discussion?.

Materials and Methods
Histological examination of the tumours
P7, Line 12 - P7, Line 21. should be moved to ?Result?.

Follow-up data
P8, Line 1 - P8, Line 6 should be moved to ?Result?.

Immunohistochemistry
P8, Line 8 - P8, Line 12 should be deleted.

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.