Reviewer’s report

Title: Increased PADI4 expression in blood and tissues of patients with malignant tumors

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The authors have not addressed point #4 in the prior review. The photograph entitled chondroma does not contain cartilage but depicts bone marrow. Similarly the Nevus shows only skin, nevus cells are not present. The authors need to contact/consult a surgical pathologist.

Modifications of Keratin profile occurs in cancer and can be used for diagnostic purposes- this does not mean that Keratin is a tumor marker. The reference cited in the cover letter is meaningless in this regard. All epithelial cells have keratin.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

NO COI