Reviewer’s report

Title: Evolution of Breast Cancer Management over the Last Decade

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Interesting paper documenting the change in breast cancer cases seen in Ireland. The change in practice has been dramatic - in part by the use of open biopsy to make a diagnosis of cancer in 1995/6 when the majority of the UK was using FNA or core. Also, breast conserving surgery was slow to be introduced but is now established. This might be worth further discussion. The change in breast conserving surgery in Ireland is at least a decade behind the change in the UK. Because of the numbers some of the differences in numerical terms are not statistically significant.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare I have no competing interests