Reviewer's report

**Title:** Low Mmp 9 and VEGF levels predict good oncologic outcome in mid and low rectal cancer patients with neoadjuvant chemoradiation

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**Reviewer:** Raphaël Maréchal

**Reviewer's report:**

Your manuscript has been satisfactorily revised to address my reviewer comments.

**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 declare that I have no competing interests' below.