Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Cancer Control in Developing Countries: Need, Access, Quality and Efficiency

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**Reviewer:** Maria Paula Curado

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This is an interesting manuscript in terms to brought up discussions about how should be the structure of the health systems in developing countries to improve cancer control. My understand that the subject is oncologic services in developing countries instead of cancer control programs. However, it needs to improve the structure of the paper to better understand the main points addressed. I suggest suppressing the adjectives as "formidable" and "silent and expanding crisis" and the subtitles “discussion “

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I would like to suggest that the structure follow as:

1 -The cancer control programs in developing countries – you needs to describe the situation of the cancer control programs giving in some developing countries

-Current needs based on the knowledge available at the literature for the moment.

2- Access- to treatment modalities what it available.( special on radiotherapy machines) based on the information already described on the text.

3- Data availability to evaluate the effectiveness of the cancer control and health systems The authors should emphasizes what type of information is available and how it can be a tool for cancer control. (Cancer registries in developing countries as source of data)

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Needs some language corrections before being published

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