Reviewer's report

Title: Survival over seven years with peritoneal mesothelioma

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Reviewer: Jesse Marrannes

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: Unexpected or unusual presentations of a disease

Has the case been reported coherently?: No

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: Yes

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: No

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

Dear colleagues,

After reading your manuscript I have some comments:

1. I found several minor writing errors (case presentation: "A Caucasian woman", "hormone replacement therapy").

2. Abstract: Introduction:
   - "rare cancer with poor diagnoses". I think you mean that it is a rare cancer, mostly diagnosed in an advanced stage.
   - I would not mention the median survival in the abstract.

3. Case presentation:
   - As a radiologist I think some images of the first CT-scan performed on your
patient are really missing in the article.

- The progression of the disease and the different moments of therapy are not completely clear to me. I would cut the sentence "CT scans were performed at intervals of about ..... until the second peritonectomy was performed" as it is confusing in the total story. In summary, I would cut the irrelevant information and try to describe the evolution of the disease more clear and understandable.

4. Discussion: cut the date of the last laparatomy!

Best regards

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

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests