### Reviewer’s report

**Title:** A case of advanced small-cell colon carcinoma: a case report

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Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: An unexpected event in the course of observing or treating a patient

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

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?: No

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?: No

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

**Comments to authors:**

The authors describe a case of small cell neuroendocrine carcinoma of the sigmoid colon. Although, the prognosis of this tumor entity is very poor the authors present a case with long term survival under repeated chemotherapy.

It is important to distinguish patients with poorly differentiated neuroendocrine carcinoma of the GIT which may profit from aggressive therapy.

It would be very beneficial for this paper if the authors could summarize the characteristics of patients published in the literature with favourable prognosis under chemotherapy.

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable
Declaration of competing interests:

No conflicts of interest exists.