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To The Editor

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Dear Editor,

thank you for accepting our paper. Please note below the required point-by-point description of the changes made to the manuscript:

- All highlighting / tracking has been removed
- The author list on the submission system was matched with the one on the paper.
- A competing interest statement was included in the paper
- A statement confirming that all authors read and approved the manuscript was included.
- Ordering of Figures and Tables was corrected.
- The underscore-character was removed from the link, now it works.
- Orientation of figures was changed.
- One occurrence of 'Fig.' was changed to 'Figure'.
- Sensitivity and specificity was included in Table 2.
- Paragraphs in the discussion have been swapped to increase the flow of the discussion.
- Legends of table 3 (now table 2) and figure 3 (now figure 2) have been expanded to be more informative and descriptive.
- The statement comparing expression analysis and IHC was changed according to the reviewers suggestions.

Sincerely,

Klemens Vierlinger