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I suggest to delete the words "as the core of tissue banks, is closely related to pre-analytical variables and" - this is meaningless and does not add anything. The statement that tumour cell content was assessed by H&E staining by an experienced pathologist is sufficient here.

Response: We have already deleted the words "as the core of tissue banks, is closely related to pre-analytical variables and".

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