Reviewer’s report

Title: Thrombospondin type-1 domain-containing 7A-associated membranous nephropathy after resection of rectal cancer: a case report

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Taguchi et al purpose for pubblication an interesting and well written case report showing a case of cancer related THSD7A positive MN. The diagnosis of MN was performed 3 years after a diagnosis of rectal cancer treated with large bowel resection. The correlation between MN and rectal cancer is proven by detection of THSD7A in both renal and cancer tissue.

I have only some minor comments

1) did the Authors research for circulating antiTHSD7A antibodies?
2) could the Authors in their discussion describe more in depth the pathogenetic mechanism of cancer associated MN?
3) which is the opinion of the Authors regarding the mechanism of developing cancer-related THSD7A-positive MN in their patient (without any evidence of recurrent cancer)?
4) which is the opinion of the Authors regarding ex adiuvantivus treatment with steroids in these cases of cancer related MN (especially in these without any evidence of recurrent malignancy)?
5) how the Authors ruled out any role for HCV-infection in the developement of MN?

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