Reviewer's report

Title: Poor prognosis of single hormone receptor-positive breast cancer: No difference with triple negative breast cancer

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The authors report the results of a retrospective study evaluating the prognostic value of single hormone receptor positive breast cancers. The data is clinically relevant and hypothesis generating.

MINOR ESSENTIAL REVISIONS:

1. There are several uses of the terms "increased risk of survival" and "increased risk of DFS" throughout the manuscript. These terms are confusing as "risk" implies an unfavorable outcome and "survival" is a favorable outcome. When one reads this term, one wonders if this related to overall survival or risk of death. I recommend removing this terminology and replace it with a more clear definition, such as decreased risk of survival, worse survival, increased risk of death / recurrence.

Please correct the phrases throughout the manuscript, which are present in the following lines of text: 16 (abstract), 21, 22, 24 (manuscript)

2. The figures each have 4 lines representing 4 patient populations. One p value is provided for each figure, but it is unclear which patient populations are being compared for the p value. The text of the manuscript references several comparisons and associated p values for each figure. Please clarify.

DISCRETIONARY REVISIONS:

1. The title reads a bit awkward. Suggest revising. An example would be "Poor prognosis of single-hormone receptor positive breast cancer: Similar outcome as triple negative breast cancer".

2. Consider performing multivariate analysis according to treatment administered.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests: 
I declare that I have no competing interests.