Reviewer’s report

Title: The preoperative platelet-lymphocyte-ratio is superior to neutrophil lymphocyte ratio as a predictive factor in soft-tissue sarcoma

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This paper builds on the body of literature around the systemic inflammatory response to tumors. It is generally well written. It does not provide immediately applicable results, but serves to build the literature further.

Major Compulsory Revisions

The whole manuscript is built upon the superiority of PLR over NLR but there are issues with the Multivariable analysis. The authors did not report the HRs for the tutor grade and size in tables 3 and 4 and no justification has been given. It seems to me that the sample size and the events number are not allowing the regression model to account for all the variables. If that is the case then the authors need to explain that in the limitation are reanalyse with inclusion only the statistical significant factors from the univariate analysis.

Minor Essential Revisions

P-values for the ROC analysis are missing

Some are grammatical issues with commas, etc. that I won’t enumerate individually.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests