Reviewer's report

Title: Preoperative neutrophil-to-lymphocyte ratio is an independent prognostic marker in patients with laryngeal squamous cell carcinoma

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Minor Essential Revisions:

Results:

1. Transglottic is described as a subsite of laryngeal cancer. Generally laryngeal cancers are classified as Glottic, Subglottic and Supraglottic by the AJCC. Please describe your definition of transglottic and why it is a separate subsite.

2. How many patients were treated with radiation and/or chemotherapy prior to surgery?

3. Was NLR followed over time after surgery?

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