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Dear Editor-in-chief

Please find enclosed a new revised version of our manuscript (MS:1495276931160406) “Immunohistochemical subtypes predict the clinical outcome in high-risk node-negative breast cancer patients treated with adjuvant FEC regimen: results of a single-center retrospective study” submitted for publication to BMC Cancer.

We have answered to the editorial requests as follows:

- 1. List of abbreviations: abbreviations used in the text have been defined in the text at first use, and a list of abbreviations has been provided, preceding the competing interests and authors' contributions.

- 2. We have clarified in the manuscript whether the need for informed consent was waived by the IRB, by adding the following statement (page 7, line 14): “According to national guidelines, the IRB considered that there was no need for collecting informed consent for this kind of database study”.

We hope that this improved version will meet your approval for publication in BMC Cancer.

Sincerely yours

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