Reviewer’s report

Title: Solitary plasmacytoma: Population-based analysis of survival trends and effect of various treatment modalities in the USA

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Reviewer: Tamila Kindwall-Keller

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1. I found the paper to be very well written. Solitary plasmacytomas are rare and there is not a lot of literature to support current therapy recommendations.

2. Conclusions of the paper were accurate and this is an area in plasma cell dyscrasias that needs further study.

3. Minor grammatical errors in the paper that need to be corrected prior to publication.

4. In the paper and table Table 2, 80% of the patient population studied were Caucasian. However, in the 4th paragraph of the discussion, sentence 2. Our results also concur with those reported by Dores et al and Jawad et al who noted that the SP incidence rates were notably higher among African Americans when compared to Caucasians. This state seems to contradict your data you are presenting. Please clarify.

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