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Dear Dr Solera,

please find herewith enclosed the revised version of the manuscript entitled "The clonal evolution of two distinct T315I-positive BCR-ABL1 subclones in a Philadelphia-positive acute lymphoblastic leukemia failing multiple lines of therapy: a case report" by De Benedittis et al, for consideration for publication in BMC Cancer.

We thank the reviewers for their thoughtful evaluation of our manuscript. We agree with all their comments and we have revised our manuscript accordingly. A point-by-point description of such changes in response to editor’s comments is detailed below.
Editor Comments:

1. Please combine the 'Discussion' and 'Conclusions' sections into one 'Discussion and Conclusions' section to meet journal formatting guidelines. As suggested by Editor we have now combined 'Discussion' and 'Conclusions' sections into one section.

2. Thank you for including a statement regarding patient consent. Please also indicate in the 'Consent to publish' section whether patient consent was obtained for the publication of this case report. We have now indicated that a written informed consent was obtained from the patient for publication of this case report.

3. As a dataset is included in this case report, please revise your current Availability of Data and Materials statement to reflect the availability of the data: https://www.biomedcentral.com/getpublished/editorial-policies#availability+of+data+and+materials. We have now indicated that the datasets generated and analyzed during this study are included in this published article.

4. Please ensure that the title page of the manuscript is included on its own page (i.e., please move the Abstract to the next page in the file). As suggested by Editor we have now included the title page of the manuscript on its own page.

After 17 months from first submission, we now hope that our manuscript will undergo a rapid revision and will soon be accepted for publication in BMC Cancer.

Thank you in advance for your assistance

Kind regards

Caterina De Benedittis, on behalf of all co-authors