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Dear Editors,

We would like to thank you for your effort and for considering our manuscript “Heterogeneity of PD-L1 Expression in Primary Tumors and Paired Lymph Node Metastases of Triple Negative Breast Cancer” (BCAN-D-17-00104R2) for publication in “BMC Cancer”. Below you can find our response to the editorial comments.

Editor Comments:

1. Please replace the section heading title 'Introduction' by 'Background.'
Response: We have replaced the section heading title 'Introduction' by 'Background.'.

2. Please replace the section heading title 'Materials and Methods' by 'Methods.'
Response: We have replaced the section heading title ‘Materials and Methods' by 'Methods.'
3. In the funding section (within Declarations) please add the phrase: 'The funding body had no role in the design of the study and collection, analysis, and interpretation of data and in writing the manuscript.

Response: We have added this phrase as the suggestions.

4. Please reword the competing interests statement (within Declarations) to our standard wording: 'The authors declare that they have no competing interests.'

Response: We have reworded this part as the suggestions.

Yours Sincerely,

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