Reviewer’s report

Title: Early onset neutropenia: a useful predictor of chemosensitivity and favorable prognosis in patients with serous ovarian cancer

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Yes - current version is technically sound
PEER REVIEWER COMMENTS:

GENERAL COMMENTS:

Overall, this is a good study. The authors did a good job on the objective, methods, and results. I have a few minor comments for the authors to consider.

REQUESTED REVISIONS:

1. Correlation between time of development of neutropenia with the present regime seems tangible but with newer regimes I am not sure if this conclusion will be appropriate.

2. Also we use G-CSF in anticipation of preventing neutropenia, I did not find mention of how the authors addressed this confounder. This should be explained in the paper.

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