Reviewer's report

Title: Malignant Peripheral Nerve Sheath Tumour of transverse colon with peritoneal metastasis: A rare case report

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Reviewer: Rahul Arora

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Comments:

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Please issue the following clarifications
The case report mentions that the CT abdomen was suggestive of GIST, point out the utility of mentioning the same in the abstract itself.

Elaborate on the significance of peritoneal metastatic deposit.

The conclusion gives the impression that the article discusses MPNET s of the colon only whereas the body of the article talks about MPNST s at other sites too.

The statement pertaining to the S100 status of GANT needs to be clarified further.

Gross sections need to be labelled.

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Mention why other spindle cell tumours of the GIT have not been discussed.

Mention about the EGFR status of the tumor, reason if not done.

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