

Nimotuzumab combined with radiotherapy for the treatment of hypopharyngeal cancer – A case report from a tertiary cancer center

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Authors' response

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We are grateful for your commentary and suggestions, which we have addressed to the fullest extent as indicated below for your comments

CASE REPORT (Page no 4, line no 6,7,8 – highlighted in yellow)

The patient received radiotherapy to a total dose of 66Gy(200cGy/fraction up to 33fractions) using conformal technique(Varian Linear Accelerator) along with 5 cycles of weekly nimotuzumab (200mg)

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However, your manuscript is replete with grammar and spelling errors and this needs to be corrected before we can proceed to publication. Please do not take this request lightly; I am what some call a spelling Nazi and do not tolerate sloppiness too well. It is better for your health to do a perfect job in one go rather than having us going back and forth until tour paper meets the journal's explicit guidelines.

Thanks in advance for raising the level of your text to academic English.

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Authors' response

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The grammar and the spelling errors are corrected as per your advice and are highlighted in green color in the manuscript.

ABSTRACT: Lines 2,4,6

INTRODUCTION: Lines 13,16,21,24,25,27,29,31,33

CASE REPORT: Lines 1,3,10,11,12,13,15,16,19,22,24

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I am pleased to inform you that your manuscript has been accepted for publication in the Journal of Clinical and Translational Research.

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