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Journal Name:	<a href="#">International Research Journal of Oncology</a>
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IRJO_123918
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Decoding the Complexities of Colorectal Cancer Treatment: Modalities and Outcomes</b>
Type of the Article	<b>Review Article</b>

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**PART 1: Review Comments**

<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<b>Reviewer's comment</b>	<b>Author's Feedback</b> (Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p><b>Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</b></p>	<p>I personally think this paper is very useful for the community. Congratulations to the authors for putting the effort in writing this paper. This manuscript gives an overall outlook on the current approaches in terms of non-surgical approaches to advanced CRC. It is very interesting in giving information regarding treatments from chemotherapy to immunotherapy and targeted therapy, including novel antibody-based therapies. The paper also has a purpose for the scientific community to give broad knowledge on the different non-surgical approaches to the management of one of the most common cancers in the world with a relevant epidemiological importance.</p>	
<p><b>Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</b></p>	<p>In the title instead of saying "Decoding the Complexities of Colorectal Cancer Treatment: Modalities and Outcomes", as no description of surgical treatments are present in the paper and as in the conclusion section the author starts with "Systemic chemotherapy is the primary treatment for metastatic CRC" showing the focus in the treatments for advanced CRC, a change could be made to "Advanced Colorectal Cancer Non-Surgical Treatments: From Modalities to Outcomes"</p>	
<p><b>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.</b></p>	<p>In the abstract add the fact that this paper focuses on the non-surgical part of the treatments and on more advanced CRC. Remember that surgery is a cornerstone of the therapies for colorectal cancer surgery and several modalities of surgeries have been developed for the effective treatment of this pathology (ie laparoscopic trans-rectal approach).</p>	
<p><b>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</b></p>	<p>The "introduction" section has to be more developed. Additional discussion of important physio-pathological CRC features should be addressed here (so the reader can understand better the reasons and modalities of the treatment). A good suggestion would be to add more details regarding the basis of tumour immunological microenvironment in CRC and how it affects chemotherapy response (eg. see 5-FU interaction with tumour immunological microenvironment). Also, the differences in terms of chemotherapy responses regarding the tumour primary site (whether it is right-sided Colon cancer, left-sided colon cancer or rectal cancer). Furthermore, add a short description of the relevance of surgery in the management of CRC, acknowledging its importance and explaining differences in neoadjuvant and adjuvant chemotherapy.</p>	
<p><b>Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</b></p>	<p>The paper is correct in doing a review of the scientific literature in public databases in terms of approaches to CRC in the forms of chemotherapy, immunotherapy and targeted therapy. It could benefit from the adjustments mentioned in the section above to improve robustness of the paper.</p>	
<p><b>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.</b></p>	<p>Yes, but when the additions suggested are made, add references for those additions.</p>	
<p><b>Minor</b> REVISION comments</p> <p><b>Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</b></p>	<p>Yes, but fix the methodology section where some syntactic mistakes were made (for instance the following phrase: "...CRC (e.g., EGFR, HER2, BRAF).and combinations thereof. Studies...")</p>	
<p><b>Optional/General</b> comments</p>	<p>As said before, I would add more details regarding the basis of tumor immunological microenvironment in CRC and how it affects chemotherapy response (eg. see 5-FU interaction with tumor immunological microenvironment)., the differences in terms of chemotherapy responses regarding the tumor primary site (whether it is right-sided Colon cancer, left-sided colon cancer or rectal cancer). Also, as in the conclusion section the author starts with "Systemic chemotherapy is the primary treatment for metastatic CRC" showing the focus in the treatments for advanced CRC, acknowledge this fact.</p>	

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	<b>Reviewer's comment</b>	<b>Author's comment</b> <i>(if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
<b>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</b>	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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