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Peer Review Report for "Recurrence of Basal Cell Carcinoma After Mohs Micrographic Surgery: A 4-Year Retrospective Analysis"

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Thank you for the suggestion, all you mentioned have corrected (what has changed is highlighted in the main text(

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According to MeSH, this word replaced (the word is highlighted in the text(

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Briefly, this method explained in the material and methods section (the highlighted text in the method section)

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Dear Author,
This is my pleasure to announce you that your article has been accepted by the editorial committee after peer review in the International Journal of Cancer Management (IJCM). Hopefully, it will be published in future issues.
Thanks.