

## Peer Review File

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### Reviewer Comments

The editorial comment is timely and addresses a significant topic. It provides a comprehensive discussion on the relationship between radiotherapy and surgery. However, there are several parts of the text where the intended meaning is somewhat difficult to interpret, likely because English is not the author's native language. I recommend a language review to ensure that all expressions convey the intended meaning accurately.

**Reply:** We reviewed english language and made some changes for vocabulary and grammar.

In addition to the grammatical errors I have just two comments: the writing style of KEYNOTE-522 should be standardized and the references list should be standardized to ensure consistency.

**Reply:** KEYNOTE-522 has been correctly written and standardized 4 lines and 2 lines before the end of page 2, then third line of page 3

References have been checked and changed: we removed Epub at the end of the reference each time we found it, in order to standardize. It was removed for reference 3 to 8, then 10, 12, 14, 17, 18, 22, 23.

Two old publications have been retrieved:

-Reference 7: Bollet MA, Sigal-Zafrani B, Gambotti L, et al. [Pathological response to preoperative concurrent chemo-radiotherapy for breast cancer: results of a phase II study](#). Eur J Cancer. 2006 Sep;42(14):2286-95. doi: 10.1016/j.ejca.2006.03.026.

-Reference 20: [Steven J Kronowitz](#), [Geoffrey L Robb](#). Breast reconstruction and adjuvant therapies, Semin Plast Surg. 2004 May;18(2):105-15. doi: 10.1055/s-2004-829045.

One of them (reference 20) has been replaced by a more recent one: Ward J, Ho K, Ike C, Wood SH, et al. [Pre-operative chemoradiotherapy followed by mastectomy and breast reconstruction-A systematic review of clinical, oncological, reconstructive and aesthetic outcomes](#). J Plast Reconstr Aesthet Surg. 2024 Sep;96:242-253. doi: 10.1016/j.bjps.2024.07.022.