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| PART 1: Comments | | |
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| **Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | **This manuscript addresses an important and under-researched topic in oncology—namely, the non-medical challenges faced by cancer patients in a low-resource setting. By highlighting the physical, financial, logistical, and psychosocial burdens of patients at Oshakati oncology clinic in Namibia, it provides useful insights for policymakers, healthcare providers, and NGOs working to improve cancer care accessibility in rural or underserved regions. The study can guide future interventions aimed at decentralization of oncology services and patient support systems.** |  |
| **Is the title of the article suitable?**  **(If not please suggest an alternative title)** | **Yes, the title is appropriate and clearly reflects the scope and content of the manuscript. However, a slightly improved and more concise alternative could be:**  **"Challenges Faced by Cancer Patients Undergoing Treatment at Oshakati Oncology Clinic, Namibia"** |  |
| 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. | **The abstract presents the study aim, methodology, findings, and conclusion fairly well. However, consider improving clarity and language. Suggested edits:**  **Replace “qualitative, exploratory and descriptive study” with "a qualitative exploratory study."**  **Clarify the sample size and methodology more briefly.**  **Improve sentence structure for flow (e.g., “long distance to health facilities and excessive travelling” → “long-distance travel to access treatment”).** |  |
| **Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.** | **Yes, the manuscript presents relevant findings derived from a valid qualitative methodology (purposive sampling and thematic analysis using Tesch's method). The coding and data interpretation are aligned with qualitative standards. The quotes from participants add strength and credibility.**  **However, a few improvements are necessary:**  **Grammar and sentence structure in several places need to be revised for scholarly readability.**  **Use of references is appropriate but a few more recent references (post-2020) could be included.**  **Include more structured subheadings under the Results and Discussion sections to improve navigation.** |  |
| **Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.**  **-** | **Most references are appropriate and relevant, but many are from 2012–2018. Consider adding 2–3 recent studies (2020–2024) on cancer care challenges in sub-Saharan Africa or LMICs for balance and contemporary relevance.**  **Suggested additional references:**  **Shaaban, S. M., Gaber, Z., Semary, S., & Dewidar, A. M. (2023). Impact of Vitamin B12 on outcome of Early Stage Luminal A and B Breast Cancer, single center experience. Medical and Pharmaceutical Journal, 2(1), 17-27.‏**  **Alsarraf, Z., Nori, A. Y., Oraibi, A. I., Al\_hussaniy, H. A., & Jabbar, A. A. (2024). BIBR1591 INDUCES APOPTOSIS IN BREAST CANCER CELL LINE AND INCREASES EXPRESSION OF DAPK1, AND NR4A3. cancer, 9, 11.‏**  **Al-Hussaniy, H., Al-Tameemi, Z., Al-Zubaidi, B., Oraibi, A., & Naji, F. (2023). Pharmacological properties of Spirulina species: Hepatoprotective, antioxidant and anticancer effects. Farmacia 71: 670–678.‏**  **Bharti, J. L., Wankhade, A., Morey, P., & Ruikar, P. (2023). The role of obesity in cancer incidence, treatment, and outcomes. Medical and Pharmaceutical Journal, 2(3), 181-192.‏** |  |
| Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications? | **Moderate quality.** The manuscript is understandable but requires **language editing** to meet academic publishing standards. Some areas lack fluency or clarity, and grammatical errors are common (e.g., “do misbehave,” “I fold” instead of “I covered”).  I recommend **professional language editing** to improve grammar, coherence, and sentence structure. |  |
| Optional/General comments | * Consider reorganizing the **Results** section by themes and sub-themes (Physical, Financial, Psychosocial). * Improve the **Discussion** by integrating findings more clearly with supporting literature. * Add **participant demographics** (age, gender, cancer type) in Methods or Results.   He should just update the references and improve the English writing |  |

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