

Review of: "[Commentary] Implications of HPV infectivity in early diagnosis and treatment of advanced/recurrent malignancies"

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The authors present a review of the significance of HPV in the pathogenesis and treatment of various malignancies. They briefly address several aspects of this topic, including epidemiology, preventative measures, and differences in treatment response compared to HPV-negative disease. The flow of the manuscript is not very coherent, and it jumps from topic to topic without much transition. It also jumps between discussions of HPV-related disease at multiple sites (head & neck, cervical, anal) - while there is some common ground biologically between sites, they remain distinct entities which should be addressed separately. The statements in the conclusion are not adequately supported by the provided evidence.