

REVIEWER'S REPORT

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Title: Oral Cuniculatum Carcinoma – Rare Squamous Cell Cancer

Recommendation:

Accept as it is ☐☐☒☐☐

Accept after minor revision ☐☐☐☐

Accept after major revision ☐☐☐☐☐

Do not accept (*Reasons below*) ☐☐☐

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality		✓		
Techn. Quality		✓		
Clarity		✓		
Significance		✓		

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Reviewer's Comment for Publication.

This article talks about a very rare mouth cancer called oral carcinoma cuniculatum. It grows slowly but can damage nearby tissues. Under the microscope, it shows deep tunnels filled with keratin, which makes diagnosis difficult. The authors describe an 80-year-old woman who had a palate growth for seven years. Scans showed a soft tissue lump without bone damage, and a biopsy confirmed carcinoma cuniculatum. It is often confused with other types of squamous cell cancers, so early and careful diagnosis is important. The best treatment is wide surgical removal, and radiotherapy is not advised because it can make the tumor more aggressive. The prognosis is good, and spreading to other organs is very rare.

Strengths:

1. Explains this rare cancer clearly.
2. Good case details (symptoms, scan, biopsy).
3. Tells how to differentiate it from similar cancers.

Weaknesses:

1. Only one case, so not enough for general rules.
2. No long-term follow-up data about the patient.
3. Does not explain how to prevent it.

Overall Assessment:

A useful case report that helps doctors recognize and treat this rare mouth cancer early.

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Manuscript accepted for the publication.