

## REVIEWER'S REPORT

Manuscript No.: IJAR-53848

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**Title: Laryngeal Cancer in Young Patients: A Retrospective Study at Hassan II University Hospital, Fez**

### 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.

The study looked at laryngeal cancer in young patients ( $\leq 40$  years) at Hassan II University Hospital. Out of 272 patients, only 6 were young. Most had glottic cancer, and all were squamous cell carcinoma. Treatments included chemoradiotherapy, surgery with radiotherapy, or radiotherapy alone. After follow-up, half were in remission, half had recurrences.

### Strengths:

1. Rare topic with long follow-up
2. Detailed clinical and treatment data
3. Highlights need for molecular studies

### Weaknesses:

1. Very small sample size
2. Single-center, retrospective study
3. No HPV or genetic testing

### Overall Assessment:

This study adds useful information about laryngeal cancer in young adults, showing it behaves much like in older adults despite fewer risk factors. However, due to its small sample size, further research with larger populations and molecular studies is needed.

### Recommendation:

Manuscript accepted for the publication.