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“Optimization of adipose tissue-derived mesenchymal stem cells transplantation for bone marrow repopulation after irradiation” by Won Moon et al. In my opinion, the topic is interesting, since “Bone marrow suppression is one of the most common side effects of radiotherapy” The authors report that single peritoneal administration of adipose-derived mesenchymal stem cells increase the survival rate of mice, if compared with mice transplanted three times. Moreover, it is suggested that such intraperitoneal administration might suppress erythropoiesis and improve myelopoiesis in sub-lethally irradiated mice Methods are satisfactorily carried out and Results are clearly presented. However, it should be better emphasized the clinical relevance of these findings. Specific comments: Line 382: Alizarin Red S and Alcian Blue staining are likely inverted. Line 754: In the legend to Fig.2, description of panel A and panel B are likely inverted. Check magnification (200x ?). Figure 2: Photomicrographs should be enlarged and a scale bar should be indicated. Line 767: Check magnification (400x ?) in the legend to Fig.3. Figure 3: A scale bar should be indicated in the Photomicrographs. Line 780: Check magnification (400x ?) in the legend to Fig.4. Figure 4: A scale bar should be indicated in the Photomicrographs. Figure 5, panels E: IL-7R levels reported in the histograms are in contrast to what is described in the text (line 161) Figure 5, panels G: CD45RA levels reported in the histograms are in contrast to what is described in the text (line 162) Figure 5, panel J: A quantification of RT-PCR data would be suitable. Figure 6: Data on IL-2 levels are in contrast to what is reported in the text (line 187,188)