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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This review provides an interesting overview of the current picture of lncRNAs involvement in key process of gastric cancer progression. A general comment is that throughout the manuscript several lncRNAs are mentioned. In order to avoid repetitions, and for this review not to be a mere listing of lncRNA molecules and their roles, the



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authors should try to comment on the most promising molecules, i.e. these that are validated in vivo and in more than one studies. I additionally suggest the following improvements: 1. More updated data from studies published in 2018 could be included. 2. Language editing is needed and also correction of typos throughout the manuscript. 3. "This review may provide a theoretical foundation for predicting metastasis and for intervening in metastatic GC." This statement does not reflect the scopes of this review, please rephrase. 4. "Due to the unsatisfactory prognosis in advanced stage GC patients who have undergone surgery, chemotherapy or radiotherapy, measures should be taken to intensively monitor GC patients". It would be helpful to describe here the state-of-the art regarding GC monitoring. 5. "lncRNAs involved in degradation of the extracellular matrix (ECM)" should read "lncRNAs involved in regulation of degradation of the extracellular matrix (ECM)" 6. Table 2: An idea would be to highlight the lncRNAs that have been validated in independent patient cohorts and also report Hazard Ratios and 95%CI regarding OS and DFS.

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Well written review. But the authors also need to outline briefly as to how this knowledge can be used in the treatment of the patient in addition to using it for prognosis.



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