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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

the paper is simple. the exsperiments are clear enough, the language must be correct.

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Dr. Maurya and the other authors used bladder tumor tissues from 90 patients to study the relationships between the expressions of pS9GSK-3 β , β -catenin and its target genes and the prognosis of the patients. They found that aberrant (low or no membranous/



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high nuclear/ high cytoplasmic) expression of pS9GSK-3 β was significantly associated with tumor stage and tumor grade and shorter overall survival probabilities. This paper is interesting and may provide urologists a new method to classify the bladder cancer patients and predict their prognosis. However, a few points must be adequately addressed. 1. IHC score Please demonstrate different staining intensity on a scale of 0, 1, 2 and 3 where 0 was assigned as no expression, 1 as reduced expression, 2 as moderate expression and 3 as strong expression. The authors are recommended that they use a software to quantify the IHC scores. 2. On quantitative expression analysis at transcriptome level: RNA Extraction and Real Time-quantitative Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-qPCR) Please show these results with images. 3. Please show the Kaplan-Meier survival curves for these patients by age, gender, tumor type, stage, grade, etc for comparison. 4. Authors defined aberrant expression of pS9GSK-3 β as low or no membranous/ high nuclear/ high cytoplasmic. Please sub-classify these types and their effects on the prognosis. 5. Most importantly, clinicians need the information when a patient's age, gender, smoking status, tumor type, stage and grade are certain, how the expression patterns of pS9GSK-3 β will influence the prognosis. This is the value of the manuscript.

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-Abbreviations in abstract and in the main text should be explained accordingly (e.g. OPD in abstract section). -There is no need to mention from statistical tests in the abstract section. -Complete and correct names of statistical tests must be used (e.g.



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Mann-Whitney U). -Test names should mainly be mentioned in statistical analysis section. -The authors should mention about the limitations of the study preferably just before the conclusion in the "Discussion" section. -Discussion and conclusion sections should be shortened. -A slight English correction is required.

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