Dear reviewers,

Thanks for your letter and comments concerning our manuscript entitled "Prognostic significance of KIF23 expression in gastric cancer " (Manuscript NO.: 54705). These comments were very helpful to improve our paper, as well as providing important guiding significance to our future research. We have studied the comments carefully and have made corrections, which we hope meet with your approval. The revised portions are marked in red in the paper. The main corrections in the paper and the responses to the reviewers' comments are presented below.

Responses to the comments:

 # Reviewers 1

Question 1. The tables required an editing.

Thank you very much for your suggestion. It is a constructive suggestion for our research. We have edited part of the table again.(Table 3 and 4)

Thank you very much for your valuable advices.

Question 2. Some minor language polishing should be revised.

Thank you very much for your comment on our work. We have modified the language to make it read more like native English.

 # Reviewers 2

We are pleased that you consider this is a prognostic study and confirm our study design and results,Thank you very much!

 # Reviewers 3

Question 1. Manuscript required a minor editing. Some minor language polishing should be corrected.

Thank you very much for your suggestion.We have checked the text and have rewritten the ambiguous sentences.

Question 2. The figures are too small. Images should be updated.

We apologize for our negligence. We have modified the figures to make it read bigger and clearer.

Question 3. Reference list is reasonable. However, the style should be improved according to the journal's guidelines.

Thank you very much for your comment on our work. We have modified the format of the references according to the journal's guidelines.

Specially thanks for your good comments!

 # Reviewers 4

Question 1. Please provide the author contributions.

Thank you very much for providing us with so many constructive comments.We are very sorry that we didn't show these information clear. Now this part has beenadded according to your suggestion on lines 4-7.

Question 2. Please upload the approved grant application form(s) or funding agency copy of any approval document(s).

We apologize for our negligence. We have upload the approved grant application form(s) or funding agency copy of any approval document(s).

Question 3. Please provide the original figure documents.

It is a constructive suggestion for our research. We are very sorry that we have not offered the original figure documents.We have upload the original figure documents by using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor.

Question 4. Please provide the PubMed numbers and DOI citation numbers to the reference list and list all authors of the references.

We are very sorry for neglecting of this issue. We have made corrections the reference list and add the PubMed numbers and DOI citation numbers to the reference list and list all authors of the references.

Question 5. Please write the "article highlights" section at the end of the main text.

We sincerely appreciate your attention to our work. According to your suggestion, we have revised this part of text at the end of the main text.

We sincerely appreciate your valuable suggestions!

We tried our best to improve the manuscript and made some changes to the manuscript. These changes do not influence the content or framework of the paper.

We deeply appreciate your helpful input and hope that the corrections will be met with approval.

Once again, thank you very much for your comments and suggestions!