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### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This is an interesting study of the correlation between Tim-3, TGF- $\beta$ , and CXCL12 expression and the prognosis of diffuse large B-cell lymphoma. The study is very well designed and the results are interesting. The authors found that a high positive expression of Tim-3, TGF- $\beta$ , and CXCL12 can be detected in DLBCL tissues, and a high expression of all three indicates a poor prognosis. These findings are amazing. The manuscript is overall well written. Minor comments: 1. The manuscript requires a minor editing. Both the main text and references list. 2. Data in tables are good, however, the authors should re-arrange the structure of the tables, and move them to the end of the text. 3. The limit of the study should be discussed.

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