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Thanks for your carefully reviewing. Those comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper. We have studied those comments carefully and tried our best to make corrections which we hope to meet your approval. Revised portion are red-marked in our manuscript.

Please find the revised version, which we would like to submit for your kind consideration.

Looking forward to hear from you. Thank you and best regards. Yours sincerely,

Reviewer #1: The article deals with a novel inflammatory-related gene signature in order to evaluate the prognosis of gastric cancer patients. The whole set up of the study is well constructed. The number of patients included is satisfactory. A large number of genes analyzed. Graphs and tables contribute to further understanding of the infromation provided. To my opinion this article contributes ideally to a descriptive manner to the role of the gene signature in the prognosis of gastric cancer.

Response: Thank you for your constructive feedback on our manuscript. We are pleased to hear that you find the study well-constructed and the number of patients and genes analyzed satisfactory. Your positive comments on the inclusion of Figures and tables are also greatly appreciated, as we aimed to enhance comprehension of the data presented.

We have taken your insights into consideration and have performed a thorough polishing of the manuscript to improve its clarity and presentation further. We tried our best to improve the manuscript and made some changes marked in red in the revised paper which will not influence the content and framework of the paper. We appreciate for Editors/Reviewers' warm work earnestly, and hope the correction will meet with approval. Once again, thank you very much for your comments and suggestions. We believe these revisions have strengthened the descriptive aspects of the gene signature's role in the prognosis of gastric cancer patients. Please find the proof of the editing and the certificate of proofreading attached to this correspondence. Thank you once again for your valuable input.



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