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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The review entitled "The role of EMT (epithelial- mesenchymal transition) in gastric cancer initiation and progression" by Wang et al, provides un updated review of the possible involvement of EMT in GC. However, it would require major language editing by an expert in biomedical writing. In its current form is at times unclear and/or confusing while hypothesis and conclusions are stated much stronger than the current scientific knowledge would allow. It should also be appropriate to present contradicting information on the subject, or alternative explanations.



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Wang et al. provide a comprehensive and up to date review about the contribution of cellular plasticity, especially EMT, towards the carcinogenesis and progression of gastric cancer. The review is well structured and covers most aspects of EMT biology. I only miss some suggestion about the future direction of EMT research in gastric cancer. Furthermore, some actual concepts of EMT (e.g. integration of the epigenetic machinery in the process of EMT) and their relevance in gastric cancer should be discussed. Minor points: - Please reconsider to call patients as victims - Please correct grammar and spelling



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Wang et al. point a summary of knowledges on EMT and its role in carcinogenesis of gastric tumors. It looks like more a review on EMT than on EMT in gastric cancer. The manuscript needs to be corrected for the English because it is very difficult for the reader to read and to follow the plan. Many repetitions exist. Punctuation is not well placed. There are many grammatical errors. Many sentences should be corrected. There are also spelling mistakes that should have been corrected if the authors had reread article. In the part "Role of EMT in GC tumorigenesis", the authors do not explain clearly how EMT plays a critical role in the generation and maintenance of cancer stem cells. Review the title: "Involved regulating factors of EMT in GC". Usually, a review is illustrated. I highly recommend authors to correct English because it hinders the understanding of the text.