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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this manuscript, Zhang and the colleagues reported that ER1 combined with VEGF-A assessed by immunohistochemistry was potential prognostic marker for GBC patients after surgery. Their findings were useful for the postoperative clinical treatment of GBC patients. However, there are some concerns remain as followings.   Major Comments 1. In this study, the authors assessed the histological specimens of GBC patients using immunohistochemistry of ER1 and VEGF-A according to the previous literatures (Page 4). However, there were inadequate informations about the assessment. The authors should demonstrate the typical histology of each histological scores used in this study.   2. How about the correlation between the histological scores of ER1 and VEGF-A? The authors should demonstrate the correlation using new table.   3. How about the relationship between histological findings (ER1 and VEGF-A expression) and GBC recurrence? Please clearly define the primary/secondary outcomes in this study.   Minor Comments 1. There were some typos in this manuscript (e.g. p<0.05 (P.2), unfavourable (P.3), P-value (Table 3), P value (Table 4)).   2. "Kenji" should be changed to "Sumi" (P.3).   3. What is "SP" (P.4). The authors should add abbreviation.   4. In Table 3, "Survival time" needs its unit (month?).   5. The font used in this manuscript should be unified (SimSun font should be changed to English font (e.g. Time New Roman)).