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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this manuscript entitled "The role of periostin and its antagonist PNDA-3 in gastric cancer metastasis", the authors have summarized the most recent knowledge of periostin and its antagonist(PDNA-3). The writing is clear, but needs polishing. First, the structure of the manuscript needs to be modified. The background and introduction should combine together. Second,the citation on page 4 is not adequate."Periostin is highly expressed in gastric epithelial tumors, and its function is indispensable for successful angiogenesis and metastasis [39, 40]". Because from Pubmed, the ref.39 and 40 are about breast cancer, not gastric cancer. Third, the paragraph about "Nucleic acid aptamers" is too long that distracts the readers' attention from main clue. Finally, the conclusion should be concise.