

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors have investigated the role of let-7 related polymorphisms in tumorigenesis and survival of gastric cancer. They found that the C allele of rs3811463 of LIN28A was associated with lower risk of gastric cancer and rs10889677 of IL23R was corresponded



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to the prognosis of gastric cancer patients. I have just minor comments; 1. A total of 898 patients and 992 tumor-free controls were enrolled in this study. In table 2, 4 and 5, case numbers were different in each SNP site and variables. The authors should explain the reason. 2. They found that rs10889677 of IL23R was associated with overall survival of gastric cancer patients. Is there any correlation between this variant and clinicopathologic parameters including T stage, TNM stage and lymph node metastasis? 3. What is the "other" in variable "WHO type" in Table 5? 4. Please insert "rs10877887" in Table 4.

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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors investigated the role of microRNA let-7 related polymorphisms in tumorigenesis and prognosis of gastric cancer in Chinese population. They concluded that Let-7 related polymorphism, rs3811463 in LIN28A, is associated with the



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susceptibility to and rs10889677 in IL23R, is associated with the prognosis of gastric cancer. This is interesting and important study for genotypes of SNPs and prognosis of gastric cancer. So, this article will be acceptable.

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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors raised an exciting and original issue that is currently considered one of the top of research interest. The methodological approach is appropriate and the manuscript is clear, well organized and easy to read. The authors have been able to condense the



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wide literature in a coherent, well-structured sequence that leads the reader step-by step to a logical understanding of the genetic mechanisms underlying gastric cancer. In conclusion, the study is interesting with a valuable clinical message. The criteria for the preparation of the manuscript have been fulfilled and frankly I don't have any criticism.

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