

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The manuscript is well written in terms of clarity and style. The manuscript does not cover all epigenetic aspects of gastric cancer. Other subsections should be included (e.g. *H. pylori*-associated epigenetic changes - induction of aberrant DNA methylation, epigenetic marks of liquid biopsy in gastric cancer). It is more appropriate to be considered as a minireview.