Reviewer’s report

Title: Influence of HRH2 promoter polymorphism on aberrant DNA methylation of DAPK and CDH1 in the gastric epithelium

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Minor revisions

Data of gene methylation in cancer lesions of 115 subjects with GC were included in the study. The abstract has, however, not been updated accordingly.

Several grammatical errors still exists in the manuscript, which need to be corrected. Some examples:

Page 16, line 13: “The mechanism of carcinogenesis via gene methylation has been still unclear” should be “… gene methylation is still unclear”.

Page 16, line 14: “we pay an attention to the fact” should be “we pay attention to the fact”

In several places in the text it may be better to use “frequency” instead of “ratio”.

Page 16, line 3: “corresponded to a risk” should be “corresponded to an increased risk”

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests