Reviewer's report

Title: Increased expression of MMP9 is involved in poor prognosis in nasopharyngeal carcinoma

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Minor essential / discretionary revisions:

1. About the title of this manuscript: The wording " .... is correlated with...." is more appropriate than the wording "....is involved in...."

2. Page 6, line 5 (from the bottom): "..... poorer survival that those with lower...." should be read as "......poorer survival than those with lower..."

3. page 7, line 1 (from the bottom): "...presented the proof that ...." should be read as ".....presented the evidence that...".

4. Page 9, 2nd paragraph, line 1: delete "first"

5. 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'