Reviewer's report

Title: Elevated MED28 expression predicts poor outcome in women with breast cancer

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The paper of Nam K. Yoon shows that higher TMA expression of MED28, a gene involved in cell proliferation, is associated with poor outcome in breast cancer.

Major points:
1- Experimental is limited to a single TMA, and results do not improve the knowledge of MED28 (association with advanced breast lesions were described in Zhang 2004 Clin Cancer Res) or the prognosis of breast cancer (tumor proliferation is associated with poorer outcome).

2- Many sentences are excessive. MED28 is associated/correlated with bad outcome, but not a predictor of bad outcome.

3- Discussion is very limited.

This work is of insufficient interest.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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