Reviewer's report

Title: Decreased Hsp90 expression in the continuum of breast lobular lesions.

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This paper addressed the HSP90 different expression among normal ducts and lobules, lobular neoplasia and infiltrative lobular carcinoma. The conclusions were potential interesting. The statistical methods used in the paper were enough. However, there were many studies about HSP90 expression in breast cancer. The authors only used immnohistochemical staining to verify their views and the methods were considerably simple. Secondly, this paper gave detail information about the patients and the results only assessed the different expression among normal ducts and lobules, lobular neoplasia and infiltrative lobular carcinoma. Thirdly, the authors did not thoroughly discuss the reasons that HSP90 expression in the nucleus of epithelial cells and if the counting results included the nucleus positive or not. Finally, in the methods part, the paper did not address how many fields used in one section. Anyway, the paper was not fit to publish in BMC cancer.

Level of interest: An article of insufficient interest to warrant publication in a scientific/medical journal

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

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.