Reviewer’s report

Title: Low expression of hTFPI-2 associated with poor survival outcome in patients with breast cancer

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The authors wanted to investigate the relationship between hTFPI-2 expression and breast cancer clinicopathological features and to identify the prognostic value for TFPI-2 expression in breast cancer patients. The authors used immunohistochemistry to evaluate hTFPI-2 expression in breast cancer patients. Kaplan- Meier method and COX’s Proportional Hazard Model was used to investigate hTFPI-2 prognostic value in breast cancer patients. They also showed clinicopathologic factors in breast cancer patients. The manuscript was written well and the minor corrections required.

Discretionary Revisions: No discretionary revisions required.

Minor Essential Revisions: Please change the sentence construction in discussion last paragraph: In our study, we indicate..............

Same paragraph: higher expression hTFPI-2……at the end ‘cum’. Please expand that.

Figure 3: cum survival – please expand cum.

Major Compulsory Revisions: No major compulsory revisions required.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.