Reviewer's report

Title: CD26 Expression on T-Anaplastic Large Cell Lymphoma (ALCL) Line Karpas 299 is Associated with Increased Expression of Versican and MT1-MMP and Enhanced Adhesion

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Major
While the manuscript has been improved, there are still several issues that need to be clarified
1. The inter-relationships between the molecules being explored are still not clear and while the authors have attempted to highlight these relationships in Fig 1 in the manuscript to present a unifying hypotheses, there are not enough data presented in this manuscript or from other studies to warrant such a model. In other words, this reviewer still finds a strong disconnect in the working hypothesis.
2. While the authors have attempted to increase the certainty of the results by adding statistical analyses to some of the data, other data still suffers from confidence of reproducibility.
3. While the results are of interest, they are quite preliminary and more experimental work are needed to confirm the relationship of CD26 with these other components.

Minor comments
1. Table 1 and 2 are missing 2. Western blots usually need loading controls

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

No competing interests