Reviewer's report

Title: Association between p53 codon 72 polymorphism and risk of oral squamous cell carcinoma in Asians: A meta-analysis

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This is with reference to manuscript 'Association between p53 codon 72 polymorphism and risk of oral squamous cell carcinoma in Asians: A meta-analysis' submitted for publication in “BMC Cancer”. I have reviewed the manuscript and submitting my comments and suggestions about the manuscript.

The above mentioned manuscript is well written and provides sufficient contribution in the association studies of p53 codon 72 polymorphism in different types of cancers.

The manuscript can be accepted for publication after minor corrections mentioned below.

1. There are some typographical/grammatical errors that need to be addressed. I am listing some of these.

2. In abstract, first sentence is too long and is confusing. A better syntax could be “preparations of different combination” instead of “different other preparations of combination”.

3. Reference section should be carefully checked and brought in the format of the journal