Reviewer’s report

Title: Polymorphisms of XRCC1 genes and risk of nasopharyngeal carcinoma in the Cantonese population

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General

Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

- Genotyping analysis for XRCC1 codons 194 and 399 polymorphisms have previously well described in the reference 17. In order to shorten the manuscript, therefore, genotyping section (with figures 1 and 2) would be better to describe or cut back.

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

- Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes