Reviewer's report

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Discretionary Revisions

MMP activity is influenced by chronic inflammation, and bilharzia infection causes chronic inflammation. But this study revealed that urinary HMW gelatinases can not differentiate between bilharzial and non bilharzial bladder cancer subtypes. It is very interesting. I want to know clinicopathological features of bilharzial bladder cancer patients in this study. The patient's characteristics and pathological features must be showed, which are divided into subgroup with bilharzial bladder cancer and non bilharzial bladder cancer.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.