Reviewer's report

Title: An in silico analysis of dynamic changes in microRNA expression profiles in stepwise development of nasopharyngeal carcinoma

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To identify miRNAs associated with the stepwise development of nasopharyngeal carcinoma (NPC), miRNA microarray assay was performed on biopsies from different clinical stages of NPC. Applying some bioinformatical tools, authors analyzed 48 differentially expressed miRNAs in different stages of NPC. I have read the paper and I have some comments. Firstly, there is no new method in the paper. The results of the paper are description. Authors should try to get some person who knows English well to go through the text in order to improve it. Especially, some Chinese should be cancelled. In addition, the supplementary files were submitted separately. And some original data, such as RT-PCR data, should be also submitted.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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