Reviewer's report

Title: Correlation of single nucleotide polymorphisms in the pregnancy-associated plasma protein-A gene with carotid plaques

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Reviewer: Igor Dr Koncar

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This is an interesting study that covers important topic, with tendency to connect science with clinical practice in the future.

The question is well defined, the methods are appropriate and well described. Results are well presented and overall the paper is nicely written.

I would recommend to authors to include in discussion one paragraph what these results mean for other non Chinese populations? Other limitations are clearly stated.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests