Reviewer's report

Title: SDHC hemimethylation in gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST): a case report

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Major Compulsory Revisions

1. When only one of two (complementary) strands is methylated it is hemimethylated DNA. A hemimethylated site of DNA is a single CpG that is methylated on one strand, but not on the other. Hemimethylation identifies de-novo methylation events, allowing researchers to tell de-novo from maintenance factors.

But in this paper, there is no data indicate any change in DNA methylation, failure to propagate a parental methylation signal or de novo methylation event. The word "hemimethylation" may be wrong.

Minor Essential Revisions

2. Did the author detect the promoter sequence of SDHC gene? Insertion or deletion mutation of the promoter may result in low gene expression level.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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