Reviewer's report

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Authors have revised several points raised by reviewers in manuscript. However, the first and second major points put up by reviewer 2 were answered beyond the questions. Following data should be supplemented: Computer-aided image assessment for semi-quantitative assay of positive staining area in the slides is a useful method to provide a relatively objective data, it can't be replaced by two pathologists' work. In addition, most of the coefficients of correlation are less than ±0.5, that means expression of TLR3 has very weak correlations with the parameters of cellular apoptosis and proliferation. In order to improve this, dual immunohistochemical stainings, such as TLR3 + TUNEL, TLR3+Ki-67 and TLR3+NFκB, should be done.