Reviewer’s report

Title: Pretreatment albumin/fibrinogen ratio as a promising predictor for the survival of advanced non small-cell lung cancer patients undergoing first-line platinum-based chemotherapy

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The article entitled "Pretreatment albumin / fibrinogen ratio as a promising predictor for the survival of advanced non-small cell lung cancers with first-line platinum-based chemotherapy "by Jun Ying and colleagues is quite interesting, highlighting that inflammation and immunology are two important enabling characteristics of malignancies and they are both significantly associated with tumor initiation, distant metastasis and resistance to chemotherapy. In this way the different expressions of inflammatory proteins such as albumin (Alb), fibrinogen (Fib) could be a valid biomarkers of the different immunosurveillance. The article has already been revised and although the biggest criticism is the lack of a control group of patients not treated with platinum-based chemotherapy, the authors have widely discussed this limitation in the new version of the manuscript. Therefore the article can be accepted.

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