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Dear professor:

Our manuscript entitled “Overexpression of EMMPRIN is associated with lymph node metastasis and advanced stage of NSCLC.” has been carefully revised according to your advices. We have taken all of the comments of the two reviewers into account and wish to respond as follows:

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We would like to express our great appreciation again to the reviewers and the editing staff at BMC Pulmonary Medicine for the manuscript comments.

We look forward to hearing from you, and, as before, please address all communications regarding this manuscript to me as the corresponding author.

Thank you very much for your attention to our paper.

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