Reviewer's report

Title: Expression of a-Tocopherol-Associated protein (TAP) Is Associated With Clinical Outcome in Breast Cancer Patients

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This manuscript compared TAP expressions and its Clinical outcome in breast cancer patients. The authors found TAP expressed breast cancer patients obtained better 5-year survival rate, compared to TAP non-expression patients. The conclusion of this study was evidenced by 271 breast cancer patients with a median follow-up time of 1892 days. Therefore, this study can be considered as an evidence based medicine report which may provide a breast cancer prognosis according to TAP related information. The requirements for the minor are listed below.

1: TAP expression of slides need to be shown in the figure (from negative to 4+).
2: In table 1, the TAP expression of each patient should be correlated to its clinical features, such as stage, ER, HER2 and tumor size. A statistical analysis also needs to be analyzed.
3: A brief description of lines, p values may need to be added in the figures.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests