Reviewer’s report

Title: DNA methylation profiling reveals novel diagnostic biomarkers in renal cell carcinoma

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Reviewer: Vitaly Margulis

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Important work in global methylation profiling. While ultimately a fishing expedition, correlation with TCGA data is a welcome approach.

Major Revisions
Authors need to explain how the tissue was collected, for example, techniques of careful tissue micro dissection are important.

I would like authors to comment on future direction of their work.

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.