

Peer Review File

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Reviewer Comments

This article is written well, but lacks in new knowledge and grounds. Therefore, I require Major Revision.

Major point

1. Please explain the details of “FGF-R4” in more detail at “Introduction section”.

Response. We have supplemented some more FGFR4 details at Introduction section, and highlighted in red in the revised manuscript.

2. Please describe the analysis method of this study in detail in material and methods section.

Response. We have described all analysis methods in Statistical analysis, and detail of the experimental methods in Methods section.

3. In this study, comparison with FGF-R1, R2, R3 expression is also an important point.

Response. Previous study have shown that FGR-R1, R2, R3 may be involved in mammary carcinogenesis and breast tumor progression, but because of different group of patients or materials, their expression may be different. Furthermore, we didn't detect their expression in present study, so we didn't make comparison.

4. Please experiment with the comparison with intrinsic subtypes.

Response. Our previous study have discussed the relationship between FGFR4 expression and intrinsic subtypes of breast cancer. The present study we focus on the association between FGFR4 and TNBC.

5. In this experiment, verification with experiments using breast cancer cell lines is also necessary.

Response. Sorry, we didn't verification the experiments using breast cancer cell lines.

6. Figure 1 should use clear pictures. (FGF-R4 immunohistochemistry)

Response. We have changed another picture.

7. Please explain the clinical application of this result in "Discussion section".

Response. We have supplemented the application of this result in Discussion section and highlighted in red in the revised manuscript.

8. And, please describe the discussion in more detail.

Response. We have described the discussion in more detail.

Minor point

1.The sentence of this paper has many careful mention errors. Please review it.

Response. Our paper has edited by native language speaker. And we have corrected the errors.

