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Dear Dr Guo.

Thank you for submitting your report on "Tertiary Epimutations - A Novel Aspect of Epigenetic Transgenerational Inheritance Promoting Genome Instability" by Dr McCarrey et al. A copy of this report is attached below for your reference.

Best regards,

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Is the manuscript written clearly using Standard English?: Yes

Electrophoretic gels and blots are presented clearly and are free from apparent manipulation?: N/A

Technical Comments to the Author:

Recommendation: Accept

Remarks to the Editor:

Dr. McCarrey1 and colleagues proposed a model for tertiary epimutations which they claimed as a novel aspect of epigenetic transgenerational inheritance promoting genome instability. In the response letter, the authors have solved all the question I mentioned. In general, the idea is quite fancy and logic sound fantastic. Although it is not perfect in the study design, sample size and the interpretation between different result, the present results were good enough to bring out this question to the scientific field as the proof-of-principle discovery.

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