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## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a comprehensive review. However, some issues have to be addressed: 1. It has been suggested that the anti-angiogenesis strategy can be ineffective due to the metabolism change and stemness of malignant cells lacking oxygen supply in various



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tumors. Various clinical trials have not shown a statistically significant improvement in survival regarding this strategy. The author seems to have merely written the good and promising aspects while neglecting the obstacles in improving this strategy. Thus this could be a biased review and even misleading. 2. The author cited lots of literature, while came up with few of his/her own comments/points. 3. Some somehow irrelevant parts (e.g., cell-cell adhesion, which is actually the major process in EMT/MET) could be removed.

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This review article overviews the tumor microenvironment and angiogenesis-related molecules. It is well written and comprehensive. Table 1 may be re-checked in terms of targets of anti-angiogenic drugs.



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