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First, i would like to compliment the authors for the time and effort put on the manuscript. Overall, the manuscript provides relevant information on the function of miR-3682-3p and how it directly targets FOXO3 and stimulates tumor stemness in hepatocellular carcinoma via a positive feedback loop involving FOXO3/PI3K/AKT/c-Myc Overall, the authors manage to communicate the findings of the manuscript properly and has an adequate use of statistics, therefore I recommend this article for publication.