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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I have read with great interest this experimental study. It is very well written and well designed. The literature is full of potential-promising markers for colorectal cancer therapy, but this time the Authors gave good experiments also including in vivo model. My general suggestion is to write in a different manner the results, so the readers can understand immediately the overall messages. Indeed, I suggest to present in a first part of the results section the results on cell lines, and in a second part the results on mice. In the opinion of this reviewer this may be very important. I suggest also to expand the discussion when the authors speak about the potential application of such marker in clinical therapy and where future researches on this topic may go to achieve novel results or confirmations.