

We thank both reviewer's for their positive comments and critical suggestions.

Reviewer 1.

Need some work on Abstract, Introduction and Conclusion's paragraphs

We revised the Abstract, the Introduction (renamed Organismal Communities) and Conclusions, according to the reviewer's suggestions.

Reviwewer 2.

1. ... more about cancer-specific markers, since only myc is mentioned...

In fact, the field is new and only limited information is available on this topic. We have also discussed other genes involved in cell competition, such as the flower-code, which may have a role in the pathogenesis of cancer (e.g. ref. 32).

2. In Introduction, "However remarkable...."

This sentence was rephrased.

3. I cannot see the sentences related to references 2, 30 and 31.

The reviewer is right. There was a typo error. The text was modified to include the above references.