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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Results figures are cited in the introduction HCC tissue sampling process should be clearly mentioned in the methodology before Cell lines section In the methodology section, it is written that "According to the sequence of Lnc524369 gene (provided by the customer)," What customer? I think you are the customer that should provide the company and your readers by the sequence. It is copied and paste from the pamphlet of the company and this is unacceptable Sentences should not start with numbers in figures, it should be written in letters It makes more sentence to start your results section with the screening of the HCC tissues "YWHAZ mRNA and protein was tested in our included ten HCC samples by real time-PCR and western blot. " what is the exact number of samples used in the study 41 or 10 or 5 as shown in your figure!!!! Correlation between lnc524369 level expression and pathological grade should be presented as correlation analysis linear figure not a table with P value Figures are captioned screening invitro and invivo?? What in-vivo?? you did not use any in-vivo models in your study I think you should revise your paper well before submitting it to avoid this type of confusion