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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The editorial "The Wnt/ β -catenin pathway signaling in human hepatocellular carcinoma" from Waisberg and Tognini Saba summarizes well the clinical importance of the Wnt/ β -catenin signaling pathway. I recommend acceptance. Some minor comments: - Please check English grammar and phrases; some expressions need to be re-phrased - The authors implemented incorrect references for their statement "Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) has a worldwide distribution, causing about 1 million deaths each year, and is the third leading cause of cancer deaths [1,2]". These two given references are NOT the primary references for cancer statistics. Please implement the correct current reference(s) of adequate statistics.



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This editorial is a well written overview about the dysregulation of the Wnt/beta-catenin pathway. A cartoon of the signaling pathway would make the overview even more attractive. Most mutations / deletions are located in the N-terminus of beta-catenin leading to a change in beta-catenin protein turnover after failure of phosphorylation (GSK3, CK1). May be this issue should also be mentioned.