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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors already reported the clinical significance of miR-382 in patients with esophageal squamous cell carcinoma (ESCC). In the present study, the functional role of miR-382 in ESCC was investigated. Then, the authors demonstrated miR-382 functions as a tumor suppressor in ESCC. Although this manuscript is important for the development of a new targeted therapy in patients with ESCC, there are some queries and comments. Comment 1. In this study, Eca109 alone was used as a ESCC cell line. Why did the author use only one cell line in the present study? How about miR-382 expression in other ESCC cell lines? 2. Misspelling: β -Catenin (Results section, Page 10, 2nd paragraph) 3. The authors investigated the functional role of miR-382 in mammalian target of rapamycin (mTOR) signaling pathway. Why did the authors focus on this?



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This is one of series of topic aiming to reveal more advanced and detailed functions of miR-382 on ESCC. The authors previously found that miRNA-382 (miR-382) was reduced and associated with poor survival in ESCC patients, implying that miR-382 may contribute to the development and metastasis of ESCC. They tried to established the possible roles and mechanisms of miR-382 in human ESCC by demonstrated that overexpression of miR-382 inhibited cell proliferation and invasion, induced cell apoptosis, and cell autophagy. They showed that the anti-tumor activity of miR-382 might be initiated by inhibition of mTOR/4E-BP1 mediated protein translation process, which is a potential therapeutic strategy for ESCC.