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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Well written and up-to-date review on urothelial tumor stem cells. The author might include the connexins (Comberg et al., WJUR, 2016).



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The topic treated in this paper is interesting and actual, as stem cancer cells transformation in aggressive cancer cells pathways is one of the most challenging topic in the era of targeted anti-cancer drugs. Concerning the keywords, they should be words, not sentences (e.g. bladder urothelial carcinoma, stem cells); moreover they should be written in an alphabetic order. The text is well written, and offers a quite clear view of the potential clinical benefits which derive from the development of anti-cancer drugs aiming to reduce the epithelial-to-mesenchymal transition capability of cancer stem cells and the resistance to chemotherapeutic agents; these concepts provide hopeful future prospectives to discover new target therapeutic drugs which attempt to reduce the migratory and invasive properties of cancer cells.