

Reviewer's report

Title: Transcription factor E2F1 promotes EMT by regulating ZEB2 in small cell lung cancer

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Reviewer: Robert Cardnell

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The authors have addressed a majority of my comments.

1. IHC scores should not be expressed as a percentage, they should be expressed as a score with range 0-300. This should be amended prior to publication.
2. I had hoped that the authors would perform a correlation of the IHC scores comparing E-cadherin and beta-catenin etc. (and maybe also for the SCLC cell line mRNA data). Such an analysis would be nice to see, but is not essential for publication.
3. There remain some grammatical/quality of language issues (e.g. "was about 70.37%" - a value presented to two decimal places is more precise than "was about").

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