Reviewer's report

Title: SMAD4 Loss Triggers the Phenotypic Changes of Pancreatic Ductal Adenocarcinoma Cells

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In the present study, Chen et al. demonstrated a phenotype of smad4 deficient pancreatic cancer cells. The crosstalk of this specific type of cells to other known pathways was established. In general, this is a well-designed in vitro study, but it lacks the functional part and the essential input the literature available.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.