Reviewer’s report

Title: Correlation between CD105 expression and postoperative recurrence and metastasis of hepatocellular carcinoma

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General

This is an interesting and generally well written study of significant clinical interest. Both the design and experimental procedures are satisfactory and conclusions are based on sound data. There are a number of short commings which require authors attention and a great deal of help from the editorial office with their grammar.

-Authors please proof read it carefully as some of the mistakes were easily avoidable. For instance table 2 analysis B at the bottom, i think should be CD105-MVD not CD 34; page 4 bottom two lines it is endothelial not epithelial; page 5, paragraph 2 change font; page12,line 3 CD105 not CD150; page 12,paragraph 2 line 5 and line 10-amend quotation of references;figure 4A and B legend on right hand side in chinese / incomplete

-Define what is paracarcinomatous tissue.

-What is the source of 3 antibodies?

Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published