Reviewer's report

Title: CD40L induces multidrug resistance to apoptosis in breast carcinoma and lymphoma cells through caspase independent and dependent pathways.

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General
The manuscript convincingly demonstrates that CD40L signaling inhibits cytotoxic drugs- and ceramides- induced apoptosis in BCC lines, through a (caspase- dependent) pathway different from the (caspase- dependent and -independent) mechanism triggered in NHL lines.

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached) None

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

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept without revision

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.