Reviewer's report

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The revised manuscript provided by Kim et al. is a considerable improvement over the initial submission. Additional experimental evidence shown by the authors supports the notion that Samsoeum induces cell death through apoptosis and autophagy in cancer cells but not in normal cells.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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