Reviewer’s report

Title: MiR-9, miR-21, and miR-155 as potential biomarkers for HPV positive and negative cervical cancer

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The manuscript "MiR-9, miR-21, and miR-155 as potential biomarkers for HPV positive and negative cervical cancer" sounds interesting however after the review of the work I have concluded that the paper needs major improvement since it is very descriptive and does not analyse any mechanism behind the deregulation of proposed miRNAs. It is also not clear how the authors have chosen the three candidates and if independent validation took place. The authors should explain using experiments the role of functional deregulation miR-9, miR-21, and miR-155 and its impact on cancer related processes.

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