Reviewer's report

Title: The oncogenic effects of HES1 on salivary adenoid cystic carcinoma cell growth and metastasis

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Reviewer: Zhengyu Zha

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In this manuscript, Xiao-Yu Huang and his/her colleagues reported that HES1, which contributes to SACC proliferation, apoptosis and metastasis, is a specific downstream gene of NOTCH1.

The authors showed the systematic mechanism and function assay to prove their conclusions. Overall, the study is interesting and the data is solid and impressive. Here are some minor questions:

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2. Fig 1E &1F, please show the clear and enlarged figures.

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