Author’s response to reviews

Title: Sphere-forming culture enriches liver cancer stem cells and reveals Stearoyl-CoA Desaturase 1 as a potential therapeutic target

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Editor
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: “Sphere-forming culture enriches liver cancer stem cells and reveals SCD1 as a potential therapeutic target” for possible publication in BMC Cancer.

We herewith resubmit the manuscript of the captioned title for your consideration to be published in BMC cancer. We would like to thank the reviewers for their kind comments and valuable suggestions concerning our manuscript entitled “Sphere-forming culture enriches liver cancer stem cells and reveals SCD1 as a potential therapeutic target”. We carefully read the reviewers’ report and revised the manuscript according to the editor’s suggestions, which we hope meet with your approval. The revised parts in the manuscript are underlined. Every change to the paper is enclosed and listed below point by point.

Editor Comments:

1. In Figure 1C, please can you indicate the size of the scale bar in the Figure itself? We appreciate that this information is included in the legend but this should also be indicated in the Figure.
   Respond: We have indicated the size of the scale bar in the figure according to editor’s suggestion.

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