Reviewer’s report

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Are the cancer cells used for establishing xenograft model have metastatic potentials?

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