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The manuscript presents useful data on how metformin might work in overcoming or prevent the development of multi-drug resistance in the treatment of HCC and, perhaps, other cancers. I have made numerous grammatical and sentence construction suggestions in the manuscript itself which would help make the paper more understandable to readers. I have also raised some questions in the manuscript that the authors should answer to provide a better scientific explanation for the readers. For example, 1) what role does NF-κB play in cancer? How did the authors select the concentrations of metformin used in this study? Please use "doxorubicin" consistently instead of using doxorubin and "adriamycin".