

Review of: "The CCN Family of Proteins: A Critical Approach to the Multi-Modular Structure of the CCN Domains"

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Dear Dr. Perbal, after reading your manuscript entitled "The CCN Family of Proteins: A Critical Approach to the Multi-Modular Structure of the CCN Domains", I would like to suggest some changes that, in my opinion,

Please see below my comments to the author:

In general, it seems to me that more than a review, it is an article raising points on how to study and better comprehend the CCN family of proteins. Although meritorious, I think that this approach does not deliver information regarding the topic in an organic manner. The paragraphs highlight notions regarding the proteins with weak connections between each other.

There is not an introduction explaining the functions of the CCN proteins.

I would avoid the word "module" and substitute it with "domain".

Figures can be taken from other papers and authors acknowledged, but it would be better to slightly modify them so that they have a similar style and font (please avoid Comics). Also, their legends are missing.

Second line of "The general picture": exons are DNA regions that are translated, although I understand the intention, it should be avoided to write that "are reunited in a single polypeptide".

The bibliography should be richer. Also, the paper contains congressional communications and personal views that should be avoided.