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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 11340-edited.doc).

Title: Estrogen Receptors as the Novel Therapeutic Biomarker in Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

Author: Hideki Kawai

Name of Journal: *World Journal of Clinical Oncology*

ESPS Manuscript NO: 11340

The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) I defined E2 in the figure legends.

(2) Novelty of this manuscript is as follows:

1) As for the role of ER variants, it is quite important to study about the susceptibility of the hormonal therapy. However, previous reports have not referred to this issue. This manuscript described that ER variants was associated with the resistance of hormonal therapy in breast cancer. Furthermore, it suggested that this issue was one of the problems for establishing hormonal therapy in NSCLC.

2) It is important to make up the effective drug delivery and combination therapy on the view of pharmacodynamics. This manuscript referred to the necessary point for combination therapy based on the characteristics for the pharmacodynamics of EGFR-TKI drug for the first time. Also, this manuscript introduce about the useful way for drug delivery by adding the latest clinical information.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Clinical Oncology*.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Hideki Kawai'.

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