

## Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: Revised text 17226.doc).

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The manuscript has been improved in accordance with the suggestions of the reviewers. The revised parts of the manuscript have been underlined.

1 The format has been updated.

2 Revisions have been made in accordance with the suggestions of the reviewers.

We would like to thank reviewers 01436291, 02446446, and 01557574 for their favorable comments.

Response to reviewer 01333314

(1) As you advised, we added a mild recommendation that FISH is likely to be an appropriate method for the standardized assessment of MET status and added problems of the assessment by IHC method to the Conclusion section (pages 18-19). In addition, we added problems associated with MET detection in clinical trials of MET inhibitors to the Conclusion section (page 19).

(2) We corrected the outcomes of clinical trials of AMG 337, which showed favorable outcomes in a phase I study. A phase II study is ongoing (page 16).

(3) We included both published trials and ongoing trials in Table 4, because many critical trials are ongoing, and we think they should be informed to the readers. However, we have excluded drugs used only in preclinical studies from Table 4.

Response to reviewer 01429208

(1) We have specified the location of each Table in the manuscript (page 6, lines 6-7; page 7, line 14; page 7, line 22; and page 15, the last line)

(2) The sentence (page 6, line 10-11) was revised and checked by a native English speaker.

3 References and typesetting were corrected. Reference No. 74 was added. The abbreviations of genes have been written in italics (page 19, line 11-14)

Sincerely yours,

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