# REPLY

Dear Editor and Reviewers,

Firstly thank for your kindly comments of the editor and reviewers because these largely improved its quality. According to the comments, we have made careful point-by-point revision to improve the manuscript quality. The points were in detail demonstrated as follows:

# As for the comments of Reviewer 1

Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

Conclusion: Accept (General priority)

Specific Comments to Authors: This is an article with the role of REG4 in the development of colorectal cancer and its relationship with tumor drug resistance and fat metabolism. This article is concise and well organized.

**ANSWER**: In order to ensure the language quality of our manuscript, we have further polished our article through professional polishing institutions.

### As for the comments of Reviewer 2

Scientific Quality: Grade A (Excellent)

Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)

Conclusion: Accept (High priority)

Specific Comments to Authors: This article should be worthy of publication, since the authors have done a lot of research, all the results are detailed in tables and graphs, and are well described in the discussion.

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### As for the comments of science editor

The manuscript has been peer-reviewed, and it's ready for the first decision.

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)

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### As for the comments of company editor-in-chief

1. I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report, the full text of the manuscript, and the relevant ethics documents, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Gastroenterology, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted. I have sent the manuscript to the author(s) for its revision according to the Peer-Review Report, Editorial Office's comments and the Criteria for Manuscript Revision by Authors. Before final acceptance, uniform presentation should be used for figures showing the same or similar contents; for example, "Figure 1Pathological changes of atrophic gastritis after treatment. A: ...; B: ...; C: ...; D: ...; E: ...; F: ...; G: ..."

**ANSWER**: Uniform presentation used for figures and tables have shown the same contents.

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ANSWER: We have uploaded all the figures into editable PPT files.

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**ANSWER**: In the previous revision, we used RCA tools to add the latest research and cutting-edge content to our articles. We make sure that our research is the latest cutting-edge content.

Your sincerely,

Hua-chuan Zheng