

## ANSWERING REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: thalidomide and PHT revised doc).

**Former Title: Thalidomide reduction of portal hypertension in portal vein ligated mice is transient and NOS isoform independent.**

**New Title: Thalidomide ameliorates portal hypertension via nitric oxide synthase independent reduced systolic blood pressure.**

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

**Revision to the text has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer,**

Title was changed.

Abstract was extended

Abbreviations were added.

Core tip was added

Introduction was edited as per recommend by reviewers

Introduction on variceal formation clarified,

Sentence on micro-particles and eNOS added.

Acronyms expanded

Abrogate replaced with attenuates

Company addresses added.

Discussion edited to include that thalidomide also affects VEGF and thromboxane.

## **2 References and typesetting were corrected**

References were added pursuant to edited introduction.

Format was altered as per journal style.

Native figures were provided.

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

Sincerely yours,

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