Subject: Response letter - Revised version of manuscript no 32176

Dear Editor,

Greetings,

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to revise our manuscript no 32176 "The role of AXL in invasion and drug resistance of colon and breast cancer cells and its association with p53 alterations" by Abdel-Rahman et al.

We have made all required changes and highlighted theses in yellow in the revised version. Also many editing and formatting changes were done by the "Language editor AJE". Here is a detailed list of our response and modifications made to the article:

- 1- Reviewer # 02528190 requested abbreviations to be defines in abstract and text > done see page 3 line 3, 4 and page 5 line 16 page 6 line 3.
- 2- Reviewer # 02528190 & 03648152 requested "normalizing"/editing and compacting the abstract > done. Unnecessary details were removed from page between line 9 & 10. Additionally, editing by the language editor was done.
- 3- Reviewer # 03648152 requested references to "other works previously performed" in introduction > done comments and new references were inserted at page 5 line 28, 30, 31 and page 6 line 6, 7; new references # 9, 17
- 4- Reviewer # 03648152 requested to "highlight novelty" > besides the core tips and comments section reference in the article was made at the concluding paragraph of the abstract on page 4 and in the article end of page 13, beginning of page 14
- 5- Reviewer # 03648152 requested Table 3 & 4 to discussed > done. Please, see page 12 line 7-12 and page 13 line 2 4 and
- 6- Editorial comments regarding "supported by" was considered one fund kept and document supplied.
- 7- Core tips and comments were made and checked by the "English language editor AJE".
- 9- All references information "DOI etc ..." were added

Thank you so much for your valuable advices and efforts with our submission Sincerely yours,

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