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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 8655-review.doc).

Title: ASSOCIATION OF SURVIVIN SPLICE VARIANTS WITH PROGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF BREAST CANCER

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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

Reviewer's comments:

This is a very comprehensive review about the use of survivin and its isoforms as putative biomarker in breast cancer. Overall, the paper is very well written, but some mistakes should be corrected. 1. To uniform the words "tumor" or "tumour", "downregulation" or "down-regulation", "over expression" or "over-expression". 2. The abbreviation of doxorubicin should be put on page 17 and not on page 18. 3. Page 4, last line: it should be put a "comma" after survivin and the "is" should be removed. 4. Page 7, line 7: the sentence should have a full stop at the end. 5. Page 14: the last sentence "The sequestration in particular....envisaged" it is not necessary and should be removed. 6. Page 15, line 15: the word "cause" should be removed. 7. Page 22, line 11: the word "make" should be replaced by "become". 8. Page 23, line 1: the word "that" appear in duplicated.

Done, all comments were addressed. Thank you for reviewing.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

Sincerely yours,

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