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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 25956-review.doc).

Title: Molecular mechanisms of peritoneal dissemination in gastric 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

(1) Reviewer 00925786

- Peritoneal dissemination in gastric cancer is associated with a poor prognosis and there is still no proven treatment. In this article, the authors review current knowledge regarding molecules responsible for each step of peritoneal dissemination formation. If active molecular studies about peritoneal dissemination continue, I think sensational treatment will be developed soon. However, the authors quoted too many references in this article, so it was difficult for me to focus on the subject. The authors also need to mention in detail about chemotherapy which have been conducted in clinical studies recently.

Reply) We thank the Reviewer for favorable comments. The significance of chemotherapy for peritoneal metastasis has been described in the text and some recent clinical trials focusing on the treatment for gastric cancer with peritoneal metastasis have been added in the references.

(2) Reviewer 00068458

- The authors have reviewed good studies for "Molecular mechanisms of peritoneal dissemination in gastric cancer" and have submitted a well-written manuscript.

Reply) Thank you for your encouraging comments.

(3) Reviewer 01799430

- This is an review article for pathogenesis of peritoneal dissemination in gastric cancer. The authors summarized the possible pathogenesis and its associated markers. The content is excellent and will give readers a good information.

Reply) Thank you for your favorable comments.

(4) Reviewer 00227592

- This is an interesting review, but a great deal of editing is required.

Reply) Languages and typesetting were corrected throughout the manuscript by native English speakers recommended by the WJG journal editorial office (Nature Publishing Group Language Editing).

3 Languages and typesetting were corrected throughout the manuscript.

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

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