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ANSWERS to the REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: cachexia WJGO revised 20150124.doc).

Title: Cancer cachexia, mechanism and treatment

Author: Tomoyoshi Aoyagi, Krista P. Terracina, Ali Raza, Hisahiro Matsubara, Kazuaki Takabe

Name of Journal: *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology*

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We have revised the manuscript following the suggestions of reviewers:

1. Format has been updated

2. Responses to the Reviewer #1

- (i) We have simplified some of the sentences as suggested.
- (ii) We have added the explanation of what STAT3 is, and why it is important.
- (iii) We added a figure demonstrating the mechanisms of cancer cachexia as suggested.
- (iv) Typos and symbols have been checked.

3. Responses to the Reviewer #2

- (i) We added some sentences that explain the importance of NSAIDs in its section.
- (ii) In the beta2-adrenergic agonists section, we added the explanation of “other drugs”.



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3. Responses to the Reviewer #3

The authors would like to thank the Reviewer for positive and encouraging comment that our manuscript is appropriate to be published in your journal, *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology*.

4. References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you once again for considering our manuscript to be published in the *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology*.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kazuaki Takabe'.

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