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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 13548-minireview.doc).

Title: Epidermal stem cells and skin tissue engineering in hair follicle regeneration.

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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 N° 2445899: Thanks for your comments. According your remarks, reference number 14 which was a duplicate of reference number 8, was eliminated. We corrected all occurrences in-text et al to et al. We completely removed the citation of authors' names Takashi Tsuji and Koh-ei Totyoshima in text and we replaced 'i.e.' with 'that is'. Finally in Reference 28 we removed the '1' following '... Adult Epidermis'.

The English language was polished as well.

Reviewer N°1851506: Thank you for revising our manuscript. The final version of the manuscript was revised and edited by a native speaker to improve the English language in order to make it more accessible to those who are not expert in the field.

According to your suggestions, Figure 1 was modified to improve the quality and the design was changed in order to appeal to a wide audience; the characters are now more visible, the different types of cells were colored differently to readily be distinguished.

Reviewer N°2446280: Thank you for revising our manuscript.

3 References and typesetting were corrected.

As required we present the original document showing all changes. The Figures and Tables were removed from the manuscript and are uploaded as individual files. As required, we added a core tip, author contributions, key words, post code for all authors and abbreviations for Figure 1. A pdf file containing the revised version is uploaded as well.

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

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