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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

General observations: The manuscript explores an interesting and actual topic. However, the paper is not well structured nor clearly written. Both the introduction and the discussion section should be largely reviewed. Some sentences are quite confusing and do not appear to be rationally related to the context. Particularly, in the introduction, the sentence about MEN1 (lines 8-14) and its link with the background are not clear. The link between MEN1 and the aim of this study emerges only from the last sentence of the discussion section. This sentence should appear in the introduction. Again, in the introduction, the sentence regarding possible antitumoral mechanisms of aspirin should be anticipated prior to report the studies on its efficacy. In this study, only human pancreatic neuroendocrine and bronchopulmonary cells were treated with aspirin. These tumors largely differ between them. It should be advisable as well as more sensitive from a clinical perspective to study and compare intestinal and pancreatic neuroendocrine tumors cells rather than bronchial cell lines. The lack of intestinal neuroendocrine tumors cells is a dearth of the study. Specific comments: Introduction, page 3, 13rd row: the authors mention in branches "Thakker, Newwey 2012", but the number corresponding to the reference is lacking (cited below ref #3). Please correct. Too many acronyms without explanation have been included in the text (only as an example in the abstract there are at least 15, and some are not commonly used by everyone -i.e. TSC2, AKT, ERK) An extensive English- mother tongue review is required.



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Congratulations for your paper. Excellent work. You have done a powerful step towards the NETs cell biology understanding. Only minor english review must be done before publication.