## **Responses to Reviewers' comments**

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1. Scientific quality: The manuscript describes an opinion review of the new therapies for colorectal cancer patients with COVID-19. The topic is within the scope of the WJG. (1) Classification: Grade C; (2) Summary of the Peer-Review Report: This was a good publication but a few minor revisions are needed. This paper needs to be checked for grammatical errors and formatting. In addition, pictures must be shown separately with a small description. The questions raised by the reviewers should be answered; (3) Format: There is 1 figure; (4) References: A total of 10 references are cited, including 8 references published in the last 3 years; (5) Self-cited references: There is no self-cited reference; and (6) References recommendations: The authors have the right to refuse to cite improper references recommended by the peer reviewer(s), especially references published by the peer reviewer(s) him/herself (themselves). If the authors find the peer reviewer(s) request for the authors to cite improper references published by the peer reviewer's ID number to editorialoffice@wjgnet.com. The Editorial Office will close and remove the peer reviewer from the F6Publishing system immediately.

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**Response**: Thanks for the comments. We uploaded the approved grant application

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