

Point-by-Point Response to the comments by Reviewers

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Dear Editor:

We thank all the reviewers' very constructive comments and suggestions to our manuscript.

The above titled manuscript has now been revised according to all the reviewers' comments and suggestions and we resubmit it for your consideration to be published in the "World Journal of Clinical Cases".

The point-to-point responses to the comments by Reviewers have been attached for your perusal.

Best regards

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Responses to the reviewers:

Reviewer

1. This is a non-systematic review of literature as the process of article selection, methodology of inclusion and exclusion criteria have not been described.

Reply: Thank you very much for your question. We have addressed the reviewer's concern by adding the following paragraph in Lines 25-34 (in the manuscript with track changes), or in Lines 41-44 (in red in the manuscript with track changes).

2. The section 1 and 2 are too detailed and long with significant redundancy and take away and provide significant distraction away from the major portion of the manuscript that is the section 3. Section 1 and 2 look more to highlight just circRNA and its potential role in oncology but it can be cut short significantly only to describe its origin, pathophysiologic role and potential use in oncology. Cut down these two sections atleast by 1000 words.

Reply: Thank you for your valuable comments. Regarding the problem that the first section and the second section of the article are too lengthy, we have rewritten the new manuscript. In the revised manuscript: Lines 49-61/84-90/126-134/146-149/166-173/185-196/221-223: We have completely reduced the introduction of circRNA and tumor-related descriptions, and refined text and references.

3. The grammar needs significant revision and editing. There is significant type-setting errors and grammatical mistakes that need to be reviewed by editing services proficient in medical English Grammar. I have attached the revised manuscript with some changes tracked to demonstrate the example of need for grammar and type-setting correction.

Reply: Thank you very much for your question. We have found a relevant polishing company, modified the native language, and re-uploaded the editorial certificate.

4. Issues raised: (1) The authors did not provide the approved grant application form(s). Please upload the approved grant application form(s) or funding agency copy of any approval document(s); (2) The authors did not provide original pictures. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor; (3) PMID and DOI numbers are missing in the reference list. Please provide the PubMed numbers and DOI citation numbers to the reference list and list all authors of the references. Please revise throughout, For PMID and DOI numbers of references from English-language journals, please ensure there is a

space between the PMID and DOI numbers in the square brackets.

Reply: We have re-uploaded copies of approved funding agencies; and re-uploaded the form named "64006-Tables", "64006-Figures "PowerPoint, and "64006_BPG_Copyright_License_Agreement", and the relevant authors have signed them. Finally, regarding the lack of PMID and DOI numbers in the reference list, we have corrected them.