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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 3810-review.doc).

Title: Clinical Features and Prognosis in Colorectal Cancer Patients with Different Ethnicity in Northwest China

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 The manuscript has been reviewed several times and all the typographical errors have been corrected and the beginning of sentences have been capitalized.

2 language polishing has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer by sending to the professional English language editing companies

(1) The patients with stage IV were excluded when we calculated the disease free survival. That is why the OS is shorter than DFS

(2) We really attempted to compare as much clinical features as possible between Han and Uyghur patient groups, which could provide some evidences of difference between the two ethnic groups. The difference between blood type just provided some possible indicator. but We don't have any data about whether difference in blood types of the two ethnic overall population exist. We will collect relevant data to prove this point. If peer reviewer consider it improper to show this point in this article, we could exclude it from this analysis

(3) There were really some disaccordance between figures in table1 and the numbers in main text. We have corrected it. The 70.1%vs 43.1% accounts for the summation of proportions of Cadre (office worker) and physical workers for Han/Chinese and Uyghur respectively, such as 42.2%+27.9%vs 28.9+14.2%.

many thanks to the reviewers.

3 References and typesetting were corrected
yes

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

Sincerely yours,

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