The Editor
World Journal of Gastroenterology

Dear Sir
Re: Manuscript NO: 29902. Title: From Blood to Breath: New Horizons for Esophageal Cancer
Biomarkers

Thank you for your recent email. We are grateful to receive very supportive reviews from the
2 reviewers. This paper has been revised to address the reviewers' comments and all
corrections have been made and highlighted in yellow in the revised manuscript. The
comments addressed are as detailed below.

We hope this paper will now be acceptable for publication in the World Journal of
Gastroenterology

Please note they we tried to use the Crosscheck portal as suggested, but this is not accessable
to authors. It appears this can only be accessed by journal editors. For this reason we cannot
provide a copy of a CrossCheck analysis.

Yours sincerely

David Watson (on behalf of all authors)

Reviewer 1
Some minor corrections would improve the paper:
1) *The official name (http://genenames.org) for the gene encoding p53 protein is TP53
   (italics).*
   This has been corrected

2) *Staining is for p53 (not italics) on page 4 and mutation is of TP53 (italics) on page 7.*
   This has been corrected

3) *Circulating anti-p53 (not p53) on page 12.*
   This has been corrected

Reviewer 2
Some minor issues require further attention:
1) *Introduction, page 3, last paragraph: "this review has deliberately focussed on
   minimally invasive and non-invasive methods for detection of esophageal cancer,….
   The development of robust, minimally invasive, cost effective biomarkers for early
   cancer will change current diagnosis and surveillance paradigms,…" However, the
   biomarkers in page 8 and 9 were not mainly associated with detection and diagnosis
   but prognosis.*
   This has been corrected on page 3

2) *Page 8, line 17: "esopahgeal"*
   Spelling has been corrected to "esophageal"

Referencing
Pubmed ID's and DOI's are provided for all references, except references 15, 18, 19, 20, 25, 29, 52, 57 and 58. The front pages of these references have been uploaded as requested, and full references can be supplied at request