

Answering Reviewers

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Dear Editor,

Title: Glutamine Deprivation Decreases the Function of Infiltrating CD8⁺T Cells in Hepatocellular Carcinoma by Inducing Mitochondrial Damage and Apoptosis

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

The reviewer #1's composition comment on the manuscript and my answer.

Congratulations to the authors, a very interesting study was performed. I read the study with great interest, and found that the study is suitable for publication.

The reviewer #2's composition comment on the manuscript and my answer.

Please make a short discuss about the limit of the study.

Answer: Yes, we agree with your comment and have added related contents in this study.

The reviewer #3's composition comment on the manuscript and my answer.

The authors should make a minor editing, such as minor language editing and update the figures with high resolution ratio images.

Answer: Yes, we agree with your comment. We have edited the article in language and replaced the figures with higher resolution.

The Science editor's composition comment on the manuscript and my answer.

(1) The figures need further arranged and the resolution of the images needs to improve.

Answer: Yes, we agree with your comment. We have arranged the figures and

changed figures with higher resolution.

- (2) The pathological pictures in the manuscript need to be marked with a scale bar.

Answer: Yes, we agree with your comment. The pathological pictures have been marked with scale bars.

- (3) The self-referencing rate should be less than 3%. The authors should keep reasonable self-citations (i.e. those that are most closely related to the topic of the manuscript) and remove all other improper self-citations.

Answer: Yes, we agree with your comment. We retained reasonable self-citations and removed inappropriate references.

- (4) It is unacceptable to have more than 3 references from the same journal. To resolve this issue and move forward in the peer-review/publication process, please revise your reference list accordingly.

Answer: Yes, we agree with your comment. We have revised the references from the same journal.

The Company editor-in-chief's composition comment on the manuscript and my answer.

- (1) Before final acceptance, uniform presentation should be used for figures showing the same or similar contents; for example, "Figure 1 Pathological changes of atrophic gastritis after treatment. A: ...; B: ...; C: ...; D: ...; E: ...; F: ...; G: ...".

Answer: Yes, we agree with your comment. We have changed the legend in a unified format.

- (2) Please provide decomposable Figures (in which all components are movable and editable), organize them into a single PowerPoint file.

Answer: Yes, we agree with your comment. We have provided decomposable figures. Due to the large number of pictures, it was uploaded in two PowerPoint files and named " 74252-Figures-1.pptx " and " 74252-Figures-2.pptx ".