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Faro 13th of April 2020,

Dear Dr Jin-Lei Wang, Science Editor of World Journal of Clinical Oncology,

Thank you for your email inviting us to provide POWERPOINT amendable figures for our manuscript entitled: 'CITED2 and the modulation of the hypoxic response in cancer' and with the Manuscript NO.: 54976. We are now providing the POWERPOINT version (file 54976-Image-File-revision_0026.pptx) which allow the modification of the components of the figure, such as text, arrows.

We very much hope that you will now consider our manuscript suitable for publication in World Journal of Clinical Oncology.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

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Faro 10th of April 2020,

Dear Dr Na Ma,

Thank you for your letter inviting us to submit a revised version of our manuscript entitled: 'CITED2 and the modulation of the hypoxic response in cancer' and with the Manuscript NO.: 54976. We are pleased to hear that both the Reviewers and Editors found our review interesting, informative and well positioned in the field.

The Reviewers' comments and the Editor's guidance have helped us to improve the quality of the figures. Considering the Reviewers' and Editors comments, we have decided to not alter the original text of the manuscript, except for a very few typos that have been indicated in RED in the revised version named "54976-Manuscript_Revised".

Responses to the Reviewers' comments are enclosed. We are confident that we have sufficiently addressed all Reviewers' and Editor's comments and very much hope that you will now consider our manuscript suitable for publication in World Journal of Clinical Oncology.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

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ANSWERS TO REVIEWERS

Reviewer 1 ID 02687374

We are delighted and grateful for the reviewer's kind comments about the content and the quality of our manuscript.

Reviewer 2 ID 00506472

We are extremely pleased to hear that the reviewer has appreciated our manuscript.

Reviewer 3 ID 03465354

We are grateful for the kind comments and suggestions made, which helped to improve our manuscript.

Reviewers comment that we have addressed: "Minor comments: - Figure 1: The authors may consider increasing the font size of O₂, HIF-1 α and HIF-1 β in the figure, since after the figure scales down, these labels will not be readable.". We thank the Reviewer for this very pertinent comment. We have reviewed the Figure 1 to address the issues mentioned.

Reviewer ID 02460781

We are grateful for the kind review of our manuscript and very pleased by the fact that the Reviewer finds our review informative in the field. The Reviewer suggested "It would be better if the authors analyzed the mechanism of the different functions in the context and type of tumors.". This is a fair comment, and we initially thought to write the manuscript as indicated by the Reviewer. However, we felt that doing so would bring some confusion to the manuscript. For this reason, and also based on the comments of the other Reviewers and Editors, who found the manuscript easy and fluid to read, we believe that it is better to maintain the text as presented in the previous version, with the exception of the correction of some typos that we have spotted.