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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 10294-review.doc).

Title: Effects of psoralens as anti-tumoral agents in breast cancer cells

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

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

Reviewer n 2779368

The Abstract has been revised in order to summarize the paper. The first part of the second paragraph has been excluded accordingly to the referee suggestion.

The Introduction has been implemented with the historical paper of Parrish (1974) on the use of phototherapy for skin disorders. In fact, this concept introduces the following discussion on the furanocoumarins. In addition, some applications and functional properties of furanocoumarins have been mentioned in this section.

We have correctly reported: i) 8-methoxypsoralen (8-MOP) and 5-methoxypsoralen (5-MOP);

ii) in italic "Psoralea corylifolia"; iii) the name "chlorobiocin" iv) "Helicobacter pylori"

The three important references on coumarins have been included in the section "Psoralen and breast cancer" (see ref. n. 75,76,77), furthermore, others recent references have also been included.

According to the reviewers' suggestions, we have made more consequential the structure of the article and made it leaner in the description. In this aim, the sections that have been modified in some parts are: "Abstract" "Introduction", "Psoralen in normal and transformed cell phenotypes", "Breast Cancer Cells" " Psoralens and Breast cancer". In accordance with the recommendations of the reviewer we have condensed some parts of the paper and we ordered sections by splitting them into : 1.1, 1,2

Reviewer n 70821

1. The three figures were drawn by the authors, because they are descriptive and summary of the concepts given in the paper .

2. We have made more consequential the structure of the article and made it leaner in the description. In this aim, the sections that have been modified in some parts are: "Abstract" "Introduction", "Psoralen in normal and transformed cell phenotypes", "Breast Cancer Cells" " Psoralens and Breast cancer"

3. In accordance with the recommendations of the reviewer we have condensed some parts of the paper and we ordered sections by splitting them into : 1.1, 1,2Thanks to the contribution of the reviewer the concepts are more easily understood and consequential

4. We have replaced and included new latest references : (1,7,8,9,13,14,15,70,75,76,77,88,89,91,92,95,96,97,99) and we have implemented the paper with the description of them.

Reviewer n 2681588

1. The Abstract has been revised in order to summarize the paper. The first part of the second paragraph , which was not pertaining to this section, was excluded. The concept, in fact, was already present in the Introduction.
2. The reference about estrogen and cell migration / motility has been reported (see n 89)
3. In addition to the paper of Westermarck & Kahan we have implemented other recent references (see n. 91, 92, 95-97, 99)and introduced them in the discussion of the article .
4. We have omitted the expression "Recent" for the references of 2006
5. In the section "Psoralen and breast cancer" we have reported the interesting study on PUVA and Erb2 breast cancer cells, as rightly recommended by the reviewer (see n.88).

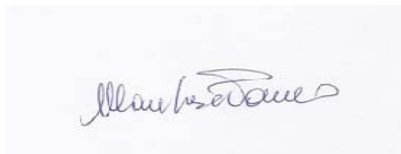
3 References and typesetting were corrected

The modified and new references are highlighted in yellow

The revisions have been reported in yellow in the manuscript

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the World Journal of Clinical Oncology

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Maria Luisa Panno', is centered within a light blue rectangular box.

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