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Dear Dr. Patel,

I enclose our manuscript titled “The C allele of the JAK2 rs4495487, an additional candidate locus that contributes to myeloproliferative neoplasm predisposition in the Japanese population” for consideration for publication in *BMC Medical Genetics*.

This is the first study to provide evidence of an association between somatic JAK2 V617F mutation and JAK2 SNPs in a Japanese population of MPN patients. We found a possible candidate SNP, rs4495487, that may contribute to MPN phenotype in this population.

We hope that the current study will be considered suitable for publication in *BMC Medical Genetics* as we believe the subject of this paper highlights important issues for medical geneticists and molecular oncologists. The manuscript has not been published or submitted for publication elsewhere. All authors are in agreement with the content of the manuscript. All authors declare no conflicts of interest.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

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