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Dear Editor,

Enclosed please find a revised manuscript entitled “Adenoviral delivery of pan-caspase inhibitor p35 enhances P450 gene-directed enzyme prodrug therapy using cyclophosphamide” that we are resubmitting after addressing journal format and editing concerns for publication in *BMC Cancer*.

Addressed items:

**Major revisions:**
1) A ‘Conclusions’ section has been added after the Discussion.

**Minor revisions:**
1) The Title has been modified to comply with a sentence case format.
2) We have added ‘USA’ at the end of the affiliations line.
3) All highlighting/tracking has been removed.
4) We have modified all figure references so that “Figure” is always used. As before, we have left the figure legends and titles in the ms document following the references.
5) We have removed any reference to Figure numbers in the image files as well as cropped out unnecessary white space from all the images.
6) Lastly, we have read through the document to check for previously unseen typographical errors.

With these changes, we trust that the manuscript is now suitable for publication in *BMC Cancer*.

Respectfully,

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