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**Title:** IGF-1 Receptor and IGF Binding Protein-3 Might Predict Prognosis of Patients with Resectable Pancreatic Cancer

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Dear Editor-in-Chief,

We are enclosing a manuscript entitled “IGF-1 Receptor and IGF Binding Protein-3 Might Predict Prognosis of Patients with Resectable Pancreatic Cancer” by Hirakawa T. et al., for consideration as a publication in BMC Cancer. This manuscript is not being considered in whole or in part by any other journal at this time. All authors are aware of the content of this manuscript. We are submitting this paper as an Research Article for BMC Cancer.

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The study protocol conformed to the ethical guidelines of the Declaration of Helsinki (1975). This study was approved by the Osaka City University ethics committee. Informed consent was obtained from all patients prior to entry. (on page 5 line 11-14).

In this paper, we investigated the clinicopathologic role of insulin-like growth factor-1 receptor (IGF1R) and IGF binding protein-3 (IGFBP3) in patients with pancreatic cancer. We concluded that both high IGF1R expression and low IGFBP3 expression represent useful prognostic markers for patients with curatively resected pancreatic cancer.

We appreciate your review of this work.

Sincerely,

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