Author's response to reviews

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We would like to thank the two reviewers for their helpful comments. We have made the changes that they recommended and hope that the manuscript is now acceptable for publication.

Specifically:

In response to Dr. Chew:

We have altered the sentence on p9 to read "..interruption of an upstream growth factor signal would have the same effect..."

A reference is included for the antibody IR3.

Error on p5 corrected to "this effect can also be acheived..

Error on p8 corrected to "Overexpression of the...."

In response to Dr. Baserga:

The title has been changed to reflect the content of the manuscript. The title is now "Retroviral expression of a kinase-defective IGF-I receptor suppresses growth and causes apoptosis of CHO and U87 cells in-vivo".