Author's response to reviews

Title: The impact of surgery and mild hyperthermia on tumor response and angioneogenesis of malignant melanoma in a rat perfusion model

Authors:

Joerg O.W. Pelz (joerg.pelz@chir.imed.uni-erlangen.de)
Marco Mollwitz (marco.mollwitz@web.de)
Christian Stremmel (christian.stremmel@rzmail.uni-erlangen.de)
Jonas Gohl (jonas.goehl@chir.imed.uni-erlangen.de)
Arno Dimmler (Arno.Dimmler@patho.imed.uni-erlangen.de)
Werner Hohenberger (werner.hohenberger@chir.imed.uni-erlangen.de)
Thomas Meyer (thomas.meyer@chir.imed.uni-erlangen.de)

Version: 8 Date: 7 August 2004

Author's response to reviews:

Dear Mr Hodgkinson,

Please find our revised version of the manuscript "The impact of surgery and mild hyperthermia on tumor response and angioneogenesis of malignant melanoma in a rat perfusion model" (MS#7509928223408012) by Pelz et al. for reconsideration for publication in BMC Cancer. We have provide a point-by-point response below to the concerns of the reviewer.

Reviewer 1 (Joerg Faulhaber)

We thank the reviewer for his thoughtful review of our manuscript and appreciate his positive review of our findings to accept the manuscript after minor revisions.

1 The data in figure 1 is now present with +/- SEM. We described, which groups were compared.

2 label of y-axis -3 is superscript.

3 We have now included two references.

4 and 5 "." was placed after the sentences

6 "Literature" is replaced with "References"

7 p is replaced by P (in italic)

We feel that the revisions have strengthened the contention. The authors thank you in advance for your consideration of our revised manuscript.

Sincerely,

Joerg O.W. Pelz M.D.