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1) Remove extra comma in line 3 of authors before & Alastair Thompson;

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2) Add extra comma after Dundee;

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3) In list of references Ref 51 is missing information. Should read;

Shinomura Y, Gonzalez-Aguilera JJ et al: Tumour selection advantage of non-
dominant negative p53 mutations in homozygous mdm2-snp309 colorectal cancer
4) Table 1 – Legend under table has extra line. Should be single spaced;

MDM2 SP309 genotype frequencies in Scottish Caucasian control and breast cancer populations. OR = Odds ratio, CI=Confidence interval.

5) Figure 2 –

Panel A – y axis font size should be bigger – same as Panel B.

Panel D – x axis font should NOT be in bold – same as Panel B.

Many thanks

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