Author's response to reviews

Title: Stimulated monocyte IL-6 secretion predicts survival of patients with head and neck squamous cell carcinoma

Authors:

John-Helge Heimdal (john.heimdal@helse-bergen.no)
Kenneth Kross (kenneth.kross@kir.uib.no)
Beate Klementsen (beate.klementsen@helse-bergen.no)
Jan Olofsson (jan.olofo@helse-bergen.no)
Hans Jorgen Aarstad (hans.jorgen.aarstad@helse-bergen.no)

Version: 6 Date: 29 November 2007

Author's response to reviews:

John-Helge Heimdal, MD, PhD
Department of Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery
Haukeland University Hospital
5021-Bergen
Norway
Tel (Int.) 47 55 97 26 06
FAX (Int.) 47 55 97 49 56
Email: John.Heimdal@helse-bergen.no


Dear Editor!

Please find enclosed the final revised version of the manuscript "Stimulated monocyte IL-6 secretion predicts survival of patients with head and neck squamous cell carcinoma".

We have now further improved the manuscript in response to the comments made by Referee 1.

A native English-speaking colleague has proofread the manuscript in order to improve the English language. A few sentences have been removed from the discussion session, but no substantial change has been made in any part of the manuscript. No change has been made in the figures.

The manuscript should hopefully now be clarified for publication in BMC cancer

Yours sincerely,
John-Helge Heimdal, MD, PhD
Staff Surgeon
Dept of ORL/Head and Neck Surgery
Haukeland University Hospital