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Dear Editorial Team,

We thank you very much for considering our revised manuscript. As Reviewer 2 has asked for additional revisions, we have made those revisions as described below.

1. We have eliminated paragraph 6 in the Discussion section as requested.
2. Results: we have deleted the range of auraptene concentration in the liver, since only 2 samples were analyzed.
3. Results: we have added the statement, "The tumors in the 500 ppm group were not available for analysis of auraptene concentration, as they were used in the western blot analysis of cyclin D1."
4. Figure 9-values on the y-axis should be properly reported, ie., 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5--we are not certain which figure this pertains to. In the most recently revised manuscript, there is not a figure 9, and all the figures have numbers labeled on the y-axis. If we are incorrect, we would appreciate further instruction in this matter.

Again, we appreciate your further consideration of the manuscript. We hope that you find our revisions acceptable. A new word version of the text will be uploaded. As we did not change the figures or tables from the most recent revision, those should still be the same as the June 9th revisions we supplied.