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Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed the final revised manuscript of our article entitled “Bevacizumab plus FOLFIRI or FOLFOX as third and further line treatment in metastatic colorectal cancer patients”. (MS: 1172410992367884), including all the changes to the format you asked us to do before publication in BMC Cancer.

Yours faithfully,

Dr Astrid LIEVRE
Major revisions (We require the author to make these changes)

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→ We added an Acknowledgements section where we included grants from the AROLD association

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→ We made all these little changes