Author’s response to reviews

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Response: Thanks for your kind advices! We have submitted our manuscript to American Journal Experts. The editing certificate was included in the supplementary material.

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Response: We really appreciate your suggestion. SCC25(ATCC® CRL-1628) cell lines were purchased from American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) last year. The CAL27(ATCC® CRL-2095), SCC9(ATCC® CRL-1629), HSC3, NOK and CAL33 cell lines were kindly gifted from Guanghua School of Stomatology of Sun yet-sun University last year. The SCC25, HSC3 and Cal27 cell line have been authenticated by STR method. The other cell lines have also been sent for authentication. In addition, we tested for mycoplasma contamination in our cell lines yesterday. The STR certificate and mycoplasma contamination detection were included in the supplementary material.

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Response: Thanks for your kind advices! We have declared a statement in the Ethics approval.

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