Author’s response to reviews

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Dear Editor,

RE: MS: 7655004815910365 - The role of BRCA1 and BRCA2 mutations in prostate, pancreatic and stomach cancers.

Thank you for the positive comments on our manuscript. We have responded to the reviewers’ comments as outlined below. In the revised manuscript we have indicated the in-text changes using blue font (for your convenience).

The abstract has been revised to make it more interesting for the reader. We agree it was repetitive in places but we feel it is better now and hope you agree.

We have added a section on screening/surveillance near the end of the manuscript (in blue font for your convenience). We had this in our original draft but removed it due to the recommended word limit.

The references have been updated to include some of those recommended, however we were unable to access the full-text for some and so have not included any which we were unable to read in full. Thank you for the suggestions.

New references have been incorporated into the text however we have not added references to all the places recommended since some of suggestions are our own hypotheses or opinions.

We hope that these revisions are satisfactory and that our manuscript is now acceptable for publication. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us (k.rogers@qub.ac.uk).

Yours sincerely,

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