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Dr. Stephanie Weldon  
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Dear Stephanie,

In response to your invitation, please find enclosed our resubmitted manuscript entitled "Tumorsphere derivation and treatment from primary tumor cells isolated from mouse rhabdomyosarcomas" for consideration for publication in JoVE.

We have now addressed all the editorial and reviewers' comments, as discussed in the "Detailed response to Editorial and Reviewers Comments".

Overall, the described method allows reliable identification and testing of rare RMS tumorigenic populations, that can be applied to RMS arising in different contexts. Finally, the protocol can be utilized as a platform for drug screening and the future development of therapeutics.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our manuscript for publication. We greatly appreciate your time and effort on our behalf.

Sincerely,