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Dear Dr. Bajaj,

On behalf of all co-authors, please find enclosed the resubmission of our manuscript entitled "Rat mammary epithelial cell transplantation into the interscapular white fat pad." to consider for publication in JoVE.

We have carefully considered all editorial and reviewers' critiques. Our responses are enclosed in the rebuttal document. The revised manuscript with track changes, figures and supplementary files are submitted for your review.

The reviews resulted in a major revision of the manuscript and we feel it greatly enhanced the clarity. We hope that you find our revised manuscript now suitable for publication in JoVE. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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