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Dear Editor,



Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 15414-Editorial Minemura.doc).

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers and the revised portions are now underlined:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

- (1) We corrected the spelling of NASH as indicated.
- (2) We do not understand what the reviewer indicate.
- (3) We replaced the position of alanine aminotransferase as indicated.

Regarding the method for analysis of gut microbiota, we added a short summary on Page4. Since we added 3 new references for the paragraph, we renumbered the reference numbers including those in tables.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Yukihiro Shimizu', enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

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