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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 5397-MacrophageReviewRevised.doc).

Title: The role of macrophages and monocytes in Hepatitis C Virus infections

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

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

(1) Reviewer 3: "The therapy was successful...". Sentence deleted, as it wasn't necessary.

(2) Reviewer 3: In page 5. HCV negative...". This sentence was revised.

(3) Reviewer 3 suggested that the last section of the review was redundant. However, Reviewer 2 suggested that we include more about clinical effects, such as extrahepatic disorders or interferon treatment. We decided to revise the last section to include some of the implications of macrophages/monocytes. This was mostly done by adding a paragraph, but there were also revisions of the other paragraphs. We will note that there has been very little work in this area, to date.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Several references were added, and a minor formatting change was done on the cover page. We used track changes to revise the manuscript so that you can see all of the changes. If the document opens with the changes visible, you can turn them off by going to "Review", and then change "Final: Show markup" to "Final".

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

Sincerely yours,



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