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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 9550-review.doc).

**Title:** Hepatocellular carcinoma in nonalcoholic fatty liver: the role of environmental and genetic factors

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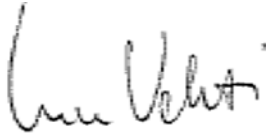
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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of Reviewers.

1. Format has been updated.
2. Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewers.
  - a. We have corrected the typos in the manuscript.
  - b. We have cited tables and the figure in the manuscript. We believe that both tables are important for a better understanding of the text. The first table provides an overview of the literature supporting the increased incidence of HCC in the absence of cirrhosis in NAFLD emphasizing one of the key concepts of the paper. The second table is just as important as it summarizes the main risk factors known to date for HCC in fatty liver. Finally, we tried to clarify Figure 1, which provides a graphical display of ascertained viral, metabolic and genetic risk factors for HCC in NAFLD. We believe that it is extremely useful in making the paper more appealing and comprehensible.
  - c. We have revised the introduction specifying that NAFLD is an abbreviation of nonalcoholic fatty liver disease.
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 'Luca Valenti'.

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