

Dear Editor-In-Chief

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We would like to submit our revised manuscript entitled “**MicroRNAs as controlled systems and controllers in NAFLD**”. We edited the manuscript following the reviewer criticisms and suggestions. The manuscript was revised by a Native English speaker. However, if the editor believe it not sufficient to reach the grade A we could use an appropriate service.

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: Panera_et_al_9956_Rev1).

Title: MicroRNAs as controlled systems and controllers in NAFLD

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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

Reviewer *00006459*

This is an extensive summary of Mir in NAFLD and makes this complex new field accessible to all those interested in NAFLD. I do not see why the word “world” is in the short title. The review would be improved by mention of a recent review of NAFLD that complements the reviews already cited as its perspective is more from a diabetes aspect: K.H. Williams, et al, Diabetes and Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease: A Pathogenic Duo, *Endocr. Rev.*, 34 (2013) 84-129. There are many places where the English can be improved. I have edited the obvious instances that I have seen and uploaded the file. However, the clarity and brevity could be further improved.

Answer to reviewer 00006459

We would thank the reviewer for his/her comments and suggestions and we appreciate the help on the editing. We added the review proposed and improved the English language of the manuscript (by using a Native English speaker) making it clearer and more concise where possible.

Reviewer *00070897*

The authors reviewed microRNAs in development and potential non-invasive biomarkers of NAFLD. This is very helpful for understanding the update information in the field.

Answer to reviewer 00070897

We really appreciated the reviewer comment and we would thank him/her for his/her feedback. Based on his/her suggestion we refined the English language.

Reviewer *00006071*

Concise and well-focused revision of the role of microRNAs in the development of NAFLD and its possible use as biomarkers of this pathology in humans. As a way of improvement, an additional table reporting the main microRNAs involved in NAFLD and their main target genes related to glucose and lipid metabolism should be presented.

Answer to reviewer 00006071

We would thank the reviewer for his/her comments and for the advice to insert additional information regarding the microRNAs targeting genes related to glucose and lipid metabolism which we added in the new Table 3. As suggested we polished English language.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

Best regards

Anna Alisi and co-authors